



City of  
**LAUNCESTON**

# **COUNCIL AGENDA**

**COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2022  
1.00pm**

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

Date: 24 February

Time: 1.00pm

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### Certificate of Qualified Advice

#### Background


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

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

#### Certification

I certify that:

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



**Michael Stretton**  
Chief Executive Officer

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- 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.
- The Chair may direct you to stop speaking if you do not follow these rules, or if your statement repeats points that have already been made.
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10 January 2022

Mr Michael Stretton  
Chief Executive Officer  
City of Launceston  
P O Box 396  
**LAUNCESTON TAS 7250**

Dear Michael

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

4. *Convening council meetings*
  - (1) *The mayor of a council may convene -*
    - (a) *an ordinary meeting of council; and*
    - (b) *a special meeting of council.*

I request that you make necessary arrangements for the Ordinary Meetings of Council to be convened on the following dates for 2022:

|            |             |              |             |            |
|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|------------|
| 27 January | 10 February | 24 February  | 10 March    | 24 March   |
| 7 April    | 21 April    | 5 May        | 19 May      | 2 June     |
| 16 June    | 30 June     | 14 July      | 28 July     | 11 August  |
| 25 August  | 8 September | 22 September | 5 October   | 20 October |
| 3 November | 17 November | 1 December   | 15 December |            |

Commencing at 1.00pm in the City of Launceston Council Chambers, Town Hall, St John Street, Launceston.

Yours sincerely



Councillor A M van Zetten  
MAYOR

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

**2 MAYORAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**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.)*

**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 10 February 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

**5 DEPUTATIONS**

**No Deputations have been identified as part of this Agenda**

**6 PETITIONS**

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

**No Petitions have been identified as part of this Agenda**

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**7 COMMUNITY REPORTS**

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

**Mr Stuart Loone (Programs Manager) - Theatre North**

**Mr Loone will provide Council with an update on the 2022 season and activities in the Princess Theatre and Earl Arts Centre.**

**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.)*

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## 8.1.1 Public Questions on Notice - Mr Robin Smith - Council Meeting - 10 February 2022

**FILE NO:** SF6381

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

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** Michael Stretton

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### **QUESTIONS and RESPONSES:**

The following question, asked at the Council Meeting on 10 February 2022 by Mr Robin Smith, has been answered by Ms Louise Foster (General Manager Organisational Services Network).

#### **Questions:**

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

#### **Response:**

*Whilst GPS location data has improved in accuracy, it is not accurate enough to reliably determine if somebody is riding on the footpath or the street. At times GPS accuracy is reduced in urban environments, due to interference from surrounding buildings.*

*The City of Launceston receives anonymised trip information from hire and ride e-scooter operators. This information can be used strategically to inform the Council of people movement patterns throughout the City.*

*Specific location information about individual riders or other identifying data is not shared with the City of Launceston.*

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**8.1.2 Public Questions on Notice - Mr Robin Smith - Council Meeting - 10 February 2022****FILE NO:** SF6381**AUTHOR:** Anthea Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** Michael Stretton

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**QUESTIONS and RESPONSES:**

The following question, asked at the Council Meeting on 10 February 2022 by Mr Robin Smith, has been answered by Mr Dan Ryan (General Manager Community and Place Network).

**Questions:**

1. [With regard to the three *thylacine* sculptures 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?

**Response:**

*A review into the longer-term location of the Brisbane Street thylacine sculptures is currently being undertaken with the safety of community members an important consideration as part of the process. Since the removal of the thylacine sculptures that were identified as causing a tripping hazard, the Council has only received one minor incident report in late 2021. The Council did not receive any notification of the recent incident which was referred to in Mr Smith's question. This acknowledged, however, the low incident rate does not indicate that further changes are required to the remaining thylacine sculptures.*

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## 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.)*

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

## **9 PLANNING AUTHORITY**

### **9.1 Amendment 68 - Partial Rezoning of Land at Launceston Golf Club - 27-99 Opossum Road, Kings Meadows from Recreation to General Residential Development - Subdivide Two Lots into 14 Lots**

**FILE NO:** DA0506/2021/SF7379

**AUTHOR:** Iain More (Town Planner)

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

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#### **DECISION STATEMENT:**

To make a recommendation to the Tasmanian Planning Commission subsequent to the public exhibition period for a draft amendment to the Launceston Interim Planning Scheme 2015.

#### **PLANNING APPLICATION INFORMATION:**

Applicant: Woolcott Surveys  
Properties: 27-99 Opossum Road, Kings Meadows (CT198059/1 and CT4964/1)  
Received: 10 September 2021  
Advertised: 15 December 2021 - 21 January 2022  
Representations: 14

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

Council - 2 December 2022 - Agenda Item 9.1 - Initiated Draft Amendment 68 to the Launceston Interim Planning Scheme 2015, to partially rezone land at Launceston Golf Club at 27-99 Opossum Road, Kings Meadows from Recreation to General Residential, and approve Development Application DA0506/2021 to subdivide two lots into fourteen lots and associated works, road, drainage and electricity infrastructure at 27-99 Opossum Road, Kings Meadows (CT198059/1 and CT4964/1).

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### RECOMMENDATION:

That Council

1. in accordance with section 39 of the former provisions of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, considers the merit of each of the representations received to draft Amendment 68 and DA0506/2021.
2. amends Permit DA0506/2021:
  - a. Condition 1(e) to be replaced with the following plan and endorsed:
    - i. *Concept 12 Lots (Plus Road) Subdivision, Job No. L191207, Edition V08, Sheet 6/7, prepared by Woolcott Surveys and dated 13/01/2022; and*
  - b. Condition 16 to be revised as follows:

### 16. CONSTRUCTION OF WORKS

*Private and public infrastructure works must be constructed in accordance with plans and specification approved by the General Manager Infrastructure and Assets Network. The required infrastructure works must be as shown in the application documents and endorsed plans and modified by the approval of the detailed engineering drawings and specifications. Works must include:*

- a. *Stormwater*
    - i. *provision of a public drainage system to drain all roadways, footpaths and nature strips within the road reserves and all land draining onto the road reserve;*
    - ii. *the provision of a DN100 connection to the lowest point of each lot; and*
    - iii. *provision of an overland flow path for flows up to a 100 year ARI storm event.*
  - b. *Roads*
    - i. *provision of a fully constructed road reserve 15.25m for the entire length of all the property frontages, complete with KC type kerb and channel;*
    - ii. *provision of a 1,500mm wide footpath located on one side of the road and all necessary pedestrian kerb ramps;*
    - iii. *provision of a single vehicular crossing for each lot within the subdivision, with the exception of lot 6;*
    - iv. *provision of a vehicular crossing for lot 6, of a width that is suitable to Council, and subject to Council approval;*
    - v. *provision of a sealed temporary turning head of a suitable size for incomplete roads; and*
    - vi. *all necessary line marking, signage and other traffic control devices.*
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*c. Electricity, Communications and Other Utilities*

- i. an underground reticulated electricity system and public street lighting scheme must be provided to service all lots and installed to the approval of the Responsible Authority;*
- ii. an underground telecommunications system must be provided to service all lots and installed to the approval of the Responsible Authority;*
- iii. provision of a suitably sized conduit/corridor for the future provision of broadband internet infrastructure; and*

*All construction works must be undertaken in accordance with the Tasmanian Subdivision Guidelines and LGAT-IPWEA Standard Drawings. These documents specify:*

- a. Construction requirements.*
- b. Appointment of a suitably qualified Supervising Engineer to supervise and certify construction works, arrange the Council's Audit inspections and other responsibilities.*
- c. Construction Audit inspections.*
- d. Practical Completion and after a 12 month defects liability period the Final Inspection and Hand-Over.*

- c. add new Condition 24 as follows:*

**16. REHOMING OF WILDLIFE**

*Prior to any clearing occurring, a report must be submitted to the satisfaction of the Manager City Development and prepared by a suitably qualified person identifying any nests within the clearing area of any wildlife. The report must provide suitable pathways for all nesting wildlife to be adequately rehomed, either on-site or elsewhere. The rehoming must occur prior to the clearing of any vegetation.*

3. recommends to the Tasmanian Planning Commission that draft Amendment 68 be approved with the recommended changes.
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**Note:**

Councillors are advised that under Schedule 6 - Savings and transitional provisions of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Amendment (the Act) 2015* - Parts 2A and 3 of the former provisions remain in force until the Launceston Draft Local Provisions Schedule comes into effect for the municipal area. The recommendation has, therefore, been made under those transitional provisions.

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**REPORT:**

**1. INTRODUCTION**

An application was lodged under Section 31(1) and Section 43A of the former *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* (the Act), by Woolcott Surveys, for:

- an amendment to the Launceston Interim Planning Scheme 2015, proposing to partially rezone land from Recreation to General Residential; and
- a planning permit seeking approval to subdivide two lots into fourteen lots and associated works, road, drainage and electricity infrastructure

The purpose of the rezoning is to facilitate the subdivision.

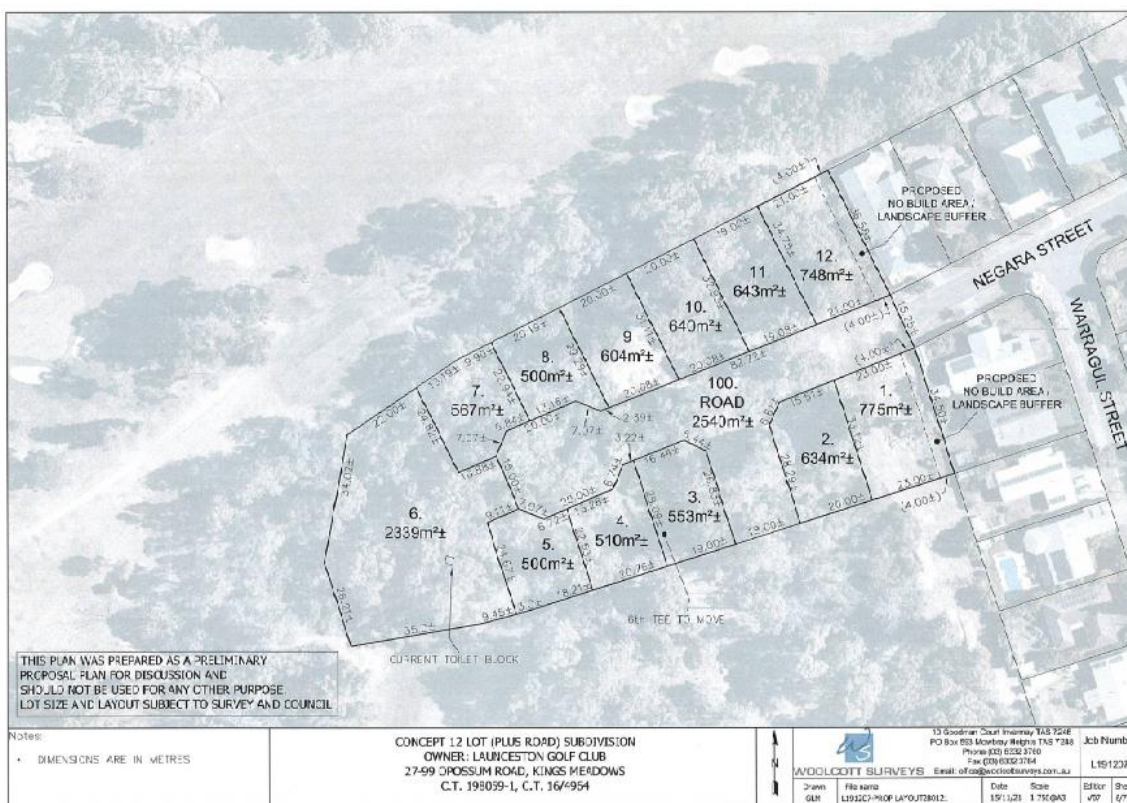


Figure 1 - Subdivision Plan

At its Meeting on 2 December 2021, Council resolved:

1. pursuant to the former sections 33(3) and 34 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, initiates Amendment 68 to the Launceston Interim Planning Scheme 2015 for a partial rezoning of land from Recreation to General Residential at 27-99 Opossum Road, Kings Meadows (CT198059/1 and Unnamed Title) as shown below:



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4. pursuant to the former section 43A of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, approves DA0506/2021 to subdivide two lots into 14 lots and associated works, road, drainage and electricity infrastructure at 27-99 Opossum Road, Kings Meadows (CT198059/1 and Unnamed Title) subject to the following conditions: ...

The draft amendment and all associated documentation was placed on public exhibition between 15 December 2021 and 21 January 2022. Eleven representations were received during this period.

In accordance with sections 39(2) of the former *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* (the Act), Council must, within 35 days after the exhibition period, forward to the Tasmanian Planning Commission a report comprising a copy of each representation and a statement of its opinion on the merit of each representation and any recommendations regarding the draft amendment or planning permit it considers necessary.

## 2. SUMMARY OF REPRESENTATIONS

A summary of the issues raised in the representations are listed in the table below. These summaries must be read in conjunction with the representations (Attachment 2).

In addition to the summaries the matters raised within the representations have been consolidated into themes and discussed in Section 5. A discussion of the merit of the issues is provided, including a recommendation on the need for modifications that may be required as a result.

A response to the representations by the applicant has also been provided (Attachment 3).

**Table 1 - Summary of Key Issues**

| Rep # | Name         | Matters relevant to the amendment assessment  |
|-------|--------------|---|
| 1     | Anne Lee     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disturbance of the natural ecosystems and biodiversity</li> <li>• Traffic Impact</li> <li>• Loss of property value</li> <li>• Loss of valuable recreational space</li> <li>• Future development through road lot connection</li> <li>• Inconsistencies in application documents</li> </ul> |
| 2     | Darren Smith | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disturbance of the natural ecosystems and biodiversity</li> <li>• Future development through road lot connection</li> <li>• What is the need to sell off land?</li> <li>• Relocation of holes</li> </ul>   |

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| Rep # | Name                  | Matters relevant to the amendment assessment  |
|-------|-----------------------|---|
| 3     | Neville Rist          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disturbance of the natural ecosystems and biodiversity</li> </ul>  |
| 4     | Rachel Baker          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The subdivision will create emission issues surrounding properties</li> <li>Traffic Impact</li> <li>Disturbance of the natural ecosystems and biodiversity</li> <li>The character of the area will be disturbed</li> </ul>                                 |
| 5     | Helen Tait            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disturbance of the natural ecosystems and biodiversity</li> </ul>  |
| 6     | James Stewart         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request amendments to Condition 16</li> <li>Request that the layout of the proposal be amended</li> </ul>  |
| 7     | Kay and Roy Pallett   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disturbance of the natural ecosystems and biodiversity</li> </ul>  |
| 8     | Peter and Fran Taylor | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Traffic Impact</li> <li>Privacy issues</li> <li>Ball damage</li> <li>Loss of property value</li> <li>Disturbance of the natural ecosystems and biodiversity</li> <li>The subdivision will create emission issues surrounding properties</li> </ul>         |
| 9     | Marissa Saville       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Privacy issues</li> <li>The subdivision will create emission issues surrounding properties</li> <li>Traffic Impact</li> <li>Disturbance of the natural ecosystems and biodiversity</li> <li>Relocation of holes</li> <li>Loss of property value</li> </ul> |
| 10    | Philip Neilsen        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The character of the area will be disturbed</li> <li>Disturbance of the natural ecosystems and biodiversity</li> </ul>   |
| 11    | Thomas Barker         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Traffic Impact</li> <li>Scenic Impact</li> <li>The subdivision will create emission issues surrounding properties</li> </ul>   |
| 12    | Peter Beckett         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Traffic Impact</li> <li>The character of the area will be disturbed</li> <li>Future development through road lot connection</li> <li>Privacy issues</li> <li>Loss of property value</li> </ul>   |

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**3. REPRESENTATIONS - KEY ISSUE SUMMARY**

*Table 2 - Key Issues Response*

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| <p><b>Concern 1:</b><br/> <b>DISTURBANCE OF THE NATURAL ECOSYSTEMS AND BIODIVERSITY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The existing natural ecosystem needs to be retained for the enjoyment of surrounding properties.</li> <li>• The area to be developed includes remnant bushland and acts as a buffer.</li> <li>• There are a range of native wildlife that uses the land to be cleared.</li> <li>• In 1936 the golf club board took steps to make the club a <i>sanctuary for birds</i> and in 1937 the Tasmanian government gazetted the whole property and declared it to be a <i>sanctuary for birds</i> and since then has been a conservation area.</li> <li>• In 1992, 55 species of birds were identified on the land, a list is set out in the book <i>The history of the Launceston Golf Club</i>.</li> <li>• Are there any plans to protect or rehome disturbed wildlife?</li> <li>• Are there any offset provisions?</li> <li>• The subdivision will reduce a green area within a congested suburb.</li> <li>• The removal of vegetation at Carr Villa and Punchbowl in recent years has forced animals onto the Golf Club.</li> </ul>   |
| <p><i>Officer Response:</i><br/>                 The application included a Natural Values Assessment, prepared by ECOtas, dated 18 August 2021. The report assessed the potential impacts to the natural environment, including flora and fauna. The report concluded that there were no identified threatened flora or fauna within the area of development. Based on an assessment of the report, the proposal was able to comply with E8.0 Biodiversity Code. In particular, the report supported the purpose and objective of the code, to minimise vegetation and habitat loss, and support the subdivision within an appropriate location for development. Further, Mark Wapstra from ECOtas provided a response to the representations regarding ecosystem disturbance to further assist in the impact the proposal will have on flora and fauna.</p> <p><i>It is unclear how the area of land to be developed acts as a buffer. There will still be existing vegetation surrounding the boundaries of the subdivision that will continue the separation between residential and recreation.</i></p> <p><i>The site does not appear to be within any known sanctuary or conservation area as discussed within the representations. It is unclear if the site at one stage did contain such protection, however, if it did, no such protections are currently located on the site.</i></p> <p><i>No offsets are proposed as part of this proposal.</i></p> |

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*Whilst removing a section of green area from the golf course, sufficient strategic justification has been provided to approve the subdivision and the removal of vegetation to allow the development to occur.*

*It is evident from the representations that the disturbance of wildlife is a major concern for surrounding residences. To ensure minimal wildlife disturbance, the condition has been recommended to rehome wildlife.*

*It is acknowledged that there will be disturbance to flora and fauna. However, the study area does not contain threatened ecological communities. It is considered that there will still be sufficient vegetation on the property to allow wildlife to migrate through the property. The recommended condition will also ensure any nesting wildlife will be able to be rehomed.*

**Recommendation:**

*Introduce the following condition to DA0506/2021.*

**Rehoming of Wildlife**

*Prior to any clearing occurring, a report must be submitted to the satisfaction of the Manager City Development, and prepared by a suitably qualified person identifying any nests within the clearing area of any wildlife. The report must provide suitable pathways for all nesting wildlife to be adequately rehomed, either on-site or elsewhere. The rehoming must occur prior to the clearing of any vegetation.*

**Concern 2:**

**TRAFFIC IMPACTS**

- **The area is already busy due to the Norwood Primary School. The introduction of new residential lots will exacerbate the traffic problem.**
- **Safety issues of children playing in the street.**
- **Increase of tradespeople during the construction period will increase traffic and safety issues.**

**Officer Response:**

*The application included a Traffic Impact Assessment, prepared by a suitably qualified traffic engineer, that reviewed the proposal and its impact on the surrounding road network. Key findings of the report were as follows:*

- *That the proposed extension of Negara Street with general arrangements as per the proposed site plan, are likely to meet the requirements to service the development (subject to final engineering design detail approval by City of Launceston (CoL)) and such a new road link appears to be able to be designed/constructed to cater for the development and traffic likely generated.*
- *That traffic service is likely adequately provided for by the new road arrangements, in order to service the proposed development, including the anticipated traffic from the development based on the estimated CoL traffic numbers using Negara Street.*

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- *Sight distances can likely comply with the planning scheme E4.7.4 Acceptable Solution A1 for the new road proposed to service the development with respect to existing junction with Warragul Street.*
- *Other Planning Scheme Requirements under Code E4 are deemed met as noted.*

*It was determined that there was unlikely to be any adverse effects on the existing traffic network from the proposed subdivision.*

*All relevant road rules will need to be adhered to, to ensure that the safety of pedestrians is maintained. This is up to each individual. No further road safety measures are proposed.*

*The Planning Scheme does not assess the impact tradespeople will have during development.*

**Recommendation:**

*No modifications required.*

**Concern 3:**

**LOSS OF PROPERTY VALUE**

- **The removal of vegetation and increase in vehicular traffic will decrease property values surrounding the development.**
- **The removal of vegetation adjoining some homes will decrease their property value.**

*Officer Response:*

*Any potential loss of property value is not a planning consideration.*

**Recommendation:**

*No modifications required.*

**Concern 4:**

**LOSS OF VALUABLE RECREATIONAL SPACE**

- **The removal of a portion of the golf course is to remove valuable recreational space.**

*Officer Response:*

*The area which is to be developed is mostly vegetation, which is currently unusable recreation space. It is noted that as a result of the subdivision some golf holes, including tee off areas, will need to be altered, however, this would need to be subject to a future planning permit if necessary. It is also important to note that the golf club is not a public recreational area. Accordingly, the development of this section of land is considered reasonable and will not negatively affect the existing recreational space.*

**Recommendation:**

*No modifications required.*

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| <p><b>Concern 5:</b><br/> <b>FUTURE DEVELOPMENT THROUGH ROAD LOT CONNECTION</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It is unclear what the new road connection within the subdivision is for, and may allude to further future development;</li> <li>• Future development to the south of the proposed subdivision will have detrimental impacts to the residences of Warragul Street.</li> </ul>   |
| <p><i>Officer Response:</i><br/>                 The original subdivision layout was altered to include the new connection as a result of discussions between the applicant and the Council. Such connections are vital to ensure that any potential future development is able to have adequate vehicle and pedestrian connections. It is important to note that no future development is proposed within the current application.</p> <p><b>Recommendation</b><br/>                 No modifications required.</p> |
| <p><b>Concern 6:</b><br/> <b>INCONSISTENCIES IN APPLICATION DOCUMENTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The ECOtas report showed the through road as a new lot, which differs from the subdivision plans.</li> </ul>  |
| <p><i>Officer Response:</i><br/>                 The subdivision plan was altered to ensure there was a future connection since the original lodgement of the application, as well as other minor adjustments. The supporting reports reference the original design of the subdivision. However, the content of those supporting reports are still maintained.</p> <p><b>Recommendation:</b><br/>                 No modifications required.</p>   |
| <p><b>Concern 7:</b><br/> <b>WHAT IS THE NEED TO SELL OFF LAND?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Golf membership appears to be strong and it is unknown why the land needs to be sold off.</li> <li>• It is important to hold onto the land to ensure golf members are retained.</li> <li>• Is it the intention of the club to keep selling off land?</li> </ul>   |
| <p><i>Officer Response:</i><br/>                 The reason behind the club wanting to subdivide is not a planning concern. The assessment of the application focused on its strategic implications and an assessment against the relevant provisions of the Planning Scheme, of which the proposal was able to meet.</p> <p><b>Recommendation:</b><br/>                 No modifications required.</p>  |



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| <p><b>Concern 8:</b><br/> <b>RELOCATION OF HOLES AND DAMAGE TO SURROUNDING PROPERTIES</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For the subdivision some holes will need to be relocated.</li> <li>• The new alignment of the sixth tee will increase ball damage to surrounding properties along hole six as the protective vegetation will be removed.</li> </ul>   |
| <p><i>Officer Response:</i><br/>                 It is understood that some holes, including the tee off for hole six, will need to be relocated should the subdivision go ahead. The relocation will not result in a loss of a hole, with the course maintain its 18 holes. Notwithstanding, the relocation or adjustment of any holes, greens, or fairways, does not form part of this application, and would be subject to a future application, if required by the planning scheme.</p> <p><b>Recommendation:</b><br/>                 No modifications required.</p>  |
| <p><b>Concern 9:</b><br/> <b>THE SUBDIVISION WILL CREATE EMISSION ISSUES SURROUNDING PROPERTIES</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Surrounding properties will be subject to dust and dirt pollution, which will affect air breathability.</li> <li>• The noise from construction will impact surrounding properties for a long time.</li> <li>• The eventual relocation of holes will also increase players noise.</li> <li>• The removal of vegetation will remove the buffer between residents and the golf club activities.</li> </ul>   |
| <p><i>Officer Response:</i><br/>                 Any development has the potential to create emission issues when developed. However, construction emissions are not dealt with during the planning process. This would be undertaken at the development stage through a construction management plan that would ensure emissions are maintained to an appropriate level as not to cause nuisance to surrounding properties.</p> <p><i>The relocation of tees, holes, or fairway is not a consideration of this application. Further, it is considered the dwellings along the western boundary between the vegetation to be removed and the clubhouse area are sufficiently separated as not to be impacted by noise emissions.</i></p> <p><b>Recommendation:</b><br/>                 No modifications required.</p> |

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**Concern 10:**

**THE CHARACTER OF THE AREA WILL BE DISTURBED**

- This area of Norwood is known for its wildlife, peacefulness, and proximity to bushland, all of which will be displaced if the subdivision is constructed.
- Surrounding lots were mostly built in the 60s and 70s, and, therefore, the area does not lend itself to modern subdivision.
- Residents, especially along Warragul Street, chose to live there as they backed onto a golf course and bushland.

*Officer Response:*

*The construction of the new residential lots will have a perceived change to the character of the area, but only insofar as they will be extending Negara Street. This will be most noticeable to the properties along Warragul Street. The golf course is not public land and is within private ownership and as such the owners have the right to lodge requests to lodge applications for new use or development. The change of zoning and subdivision have met the relevant requirements of the regional land use strategy and Planning Scheme.*

**Recommendation:**

*No modifications required.*

**Concern 11:**

**REQUEST AMENDMENTS TO CONDITION 16**

- The condition requires a fully constructed road 15.25m wide. This is an error and should refer to the road reserve, as opposed to the road.
- Provision of a singular vehicle crossover for each lot. We note lot 6 has the potential for a multiple dwelling development and, therefore, should have a crossover constructed as per its potential use. This avoids unnecessary upgrades later on.
- The application contains no public open space. This condition can be deleted to avoid any unnecessary confusion.
- Provision of reticulated gas. We consider this an onerous requirement. It is not required under the planning scheme and not an expectation that all general residential land provide for reticulated gas. Individual owners can still provide their own gas should they so choose.

*Officer Response:*

*This request is from the applicant, Woolcott Surveys. The request is considered reasonable and it is not envisaged they will change the function of the subdivision as to be considered substantial, or provide any detriment to any persons.*

**Recommendation:**

*The requests are considered to be acceptable and it is recommended that Condition 16 be amended to read as per below:*

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**16. CONSTRUCTION OF WORKS**

*Private and public infrastructure works must be constructed in accordance with plans and specification approved by the General Manager Infrastructure and Assets Network. The required infrastructure works must be as shown in the application documents and endorsed plans and modified by the approval of the detailed engineering drawings and specifications. Works must include:*

- a. *Stormwater*
  - i. *provision of a public drainage system to drain all roadways, footpaths and nature strips within the road reserves and all land draining onto the road reserve;*
  - ii. *the provision of a DN100 connection to the lowest point of each lot; and*
  - iii. *provision of an overland flow path for flows up to a 100 year ARI storm event.*
- b. *Roads*
  - i. *provision of a fully constructed road reserve 15.25m for the entire length of all the property frontages, complete with KC type kerb and channel;*
  - ii. *provision of a 1,500mm wide footpath located on one side of the road and all necessary pedestrian kerb ramps;*
  - iii. *provision of a single vehicular crossing for each lot within the subdivision, with the exception of lot 6;*
  - iv. *provision of a vehicular crossing for lot 6, of a width that is suitable to Council, and subject to Council approval;*
  - v. *provision of a sealed temporary turning head of a suitable size for incomplete roads; and*
  - vi. *all necessary line marking, signage and other traffic control devices.*
- c. *Electricity, Communications and Other Utilities*
  - i. *an underground reticulated electricity system and public street lighting scheme must be provided to service all lots and installed to the approval of the Responsible Authority;*
  - ii. *an underground telecommunications system must be provided to service all lots and installed to the approval of the Responsible Authority;*
  - iii. *provision of a suitably sized conduit/corridor for the future provision of broadband internet infrastructure; and*

*All construction works must be undertaken in accordance with the Tasmanian Subdivision Guidelines and LGAT-IPWEA Standard Drawings. These documents specify:*

- a. *Construction requirements.*
- b. *Appointment of a suitably qualified Supervising Engineer to supervise and certify construction works, arrange the Council's Audit inspections and other responsibilities.*
- c. *Construction Audit inspections.*
- d. *Practical Completion and after a 12 months defects liability period the Final Inspection and Hand-Over.*

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| <p><b>Concern 12:</b><br/> <b>REQUEST THAT THE LAYOUT OF THE PROPOSAL BE AMENDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minor change to the subdivision plan. The change relates to lot 1 on the proposal plan, and would see a minor truncation proposed in the south eastern corner of this lot. This would reduce the size of the lot from 775m<sup>2</sup>, to 729m<sup>2</sup>.</li> </ul>  |
| <p><i>Officer Response:</i><br/>                 This request is from the applicant, Woolcott Surveys. The request is considered reasonable and it is not envisaged it will change the function of the subdivision as to be considered substantial, or provide any detriment to any persons.</p> <p><b>Recommendation:</b><br/>                 It is recommended that the provided amended Plan of Subdivision be endorsed (Attachment 5).</p>  |
| <p><b>Concern 13:</b><br/> <b>PRIVACY ISSUES</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The development will create privacy issues of new properties looking into the rear of existing properties.</li> </ul>  |
| <p><i>Officer Response:</i><br/>                 The subdivision will result in two new properties adjoining three existing properties, two along Warragul Street and one along Negara Street. The proposed lots, however, will be of sufficient size to fit a single dwelling, and able to be contained within an appropriate building envelope. Any privacy issues will need to be dealt with in any future development applications over the new titles, subject to the provisions of the scheme.</p> <p><b>Recommendation:</b><br/>                 No modifications required.</p>   |
| <p><b>Concern 14:</b><br/> <b>SCENIC IMPACT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The removal of vegetation will affect the scenic enjoyment of surrounding residents who enjoy the large scale bushland.</li> </ul>  |
| <p><i>Officer Response:</i><br/>                 As part of the application E7.0 Scenic Management Code was required to be addressed. It was considered that the proposal would ensure that the visual amenity of the area will be maintained, in accordance with the objectives of the precinct. Whilst there will be a change, the new subdivision will still retain vegetation surrounding the boundaries, and will be a seamless expansion of Negara Street. Any new development on the lots will also require landscaping, which will assist in the visual amenity of the area. It has been determined that the vegetation will be managed effectively to allow the scenic landscape to be retained.</p> <p><b>Recommendation</b><br/>                 No modifications required.</p> |

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#### **4. CONCLUSION**

The representations have been considered and it has been determined that there are no reasons for the Council not to proceed with the draft Amendment 68 and DA0506/2021.

The report has provided an assessment of the representations and it is recommended that it be forwarded to the Tasmanian Planning Commission with a recommendation that it be approved, subject to recommended changes.

#### **ECONOMIC IMPACT:**

The amendment to the Launceston Interim Planning Scheme 2015 has been assessed against the requirements of the Act. The Launceston Interim Planning Scheme also contains provisions intended to implement the objectives of the Resource Management Planning System. The application has been assessed using these provisions and as such economic impacts have been considered.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

The amendment to the Launceston Interim Planning Scheme has been assessed against the requirements of the Act. The Launceston Interim Planning Scheme 2015 contains provisions intended to implement the objectives of the Resource Management Planning System. The application has been assessed using these provisions and as such environmental impacts have been considered.

#### **SOCIAL IMPACT:**

The amendment to the Launceston Interim Planning Scheme 2015 has been assessed against the requirements of the Act. The Launceston Interim Planning Scheme 2015 contains provisions intended to implement the objectives of the Resource Management Planning System. The application has been assessed using these provisions and as such social impacts have been considered.

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

*Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* (the Act)  
Launceston Interim Planning Scheme 2015  
Northern Tasmania Regional Land Use Strategy (NTRLUS) 2018  
Greater Launceston Plan (GLP) 2014  
Launceston Residential Strategy (LRS) 2009-2029  
City of Launceston Corporate Strategic Plan 2014-2024

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**BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

**DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:**

The officer has no conflict of interest in this item.

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



**Dan Ryan (General Manager Community and Place Network)**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Amendment 68 - DA0506/2021 - Signed and certified instrument (*electronically distributed*)
  2. Amendment 68 - DA0506/2021 - Representations (*electronically distributed*)
  3. Amendment 68 - DA0506/2021 - Applicant's Response to Representations (*electronically distributed*)
  4. Amendment 68 - DA0506/2021 - Amended Permit (*electronically distributed*)
  5. Amendment 68 - DA0506/2021 - Amended Plan of Subdivision (*electronically distributed*)
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**10 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR****10.1 Mayor's Announcements****FILE NO:** SF2375

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**Friday 11 February 2022**

- Officiated at a farewell function for the *All Australian Railway Cricket Carnival*

**Sunday 13 February 2022**

- Attended the *Garry Rogers and ARG Tasmania* event at Symmons Plains

**Thursday 17 February 2022**

- Conducted a private Citizenship Ceremony to welcome a new conferee

**Friday 18 February 2022**

- Attended the unveiling of *Elsewhere World* by Raymond Arnold at QVMAG Royal Park Gallery

**Tuesday 22 February 2022**

- Attended the formal opening of the University of Tasmania's Library at the Inveresk Precinct
- Spoke virtually to delegates at the *Mortgage and Finance Association of Australia* Meeting
- Met with Minister Fletcher regarding the City Deal

**Wednesday 23 February 2022**

- Attended the *Launceston Cup* at Mowbray Racecourse

**Thursday 24 February 2022**

- Attended the *Clifford Craig* announcement of Medical Research Grants
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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.)*

**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.)*

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**12.1.1 Councillors' Questions on Notice - Councillor T G Walker - Inveresk Precinct Carpark - Council Meeting - 10 February 2022****FILE NO:** SF2375**AUTHOR:** Anthea Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** Michael Stretton

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**QUESTIONS and RESPONSES:**

The following question, asked at the Council Meeting on 10 February 2022 by Councillor T G Walker, has been answered by Mr Paul Gimpl (Chief Financial Officer).

**Questions:**

1. Is the additional \$100,000 identified as an additional cost in the Northern Carpark Management System to cover CCTV, Network and Fibre installation 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 the long term balance of the investment.

**Response:**

*The City of Launceston (CoL) and University of Tasmania's (UTAS) Northern Carpark Licencing Agreement states that the cost of installing the ticketing system, CCTV and the boom gates is the CoL's responsibility (due to the fact that UTAS planned to use the EasyPark app for staff and students using their 484 spaces in the car park and, therefore, did not require such infrastructure). UTAS, however, is responsible for installing the conduit underneath the carpark to enable the CoL to install the ticketing system, CCTV and boom gates infrastructure.*

*UTAS is responsible for building the carpark, demolishing buildings, funding the payout to the Show Society (\$1.3m) and installing electric vehicle charging stations with UTAS collecting any revenue that comes from the electric vehicle stations.*

*The cost to install the ticketing system, CCTV and the boom gates infrastructure was estimated to be \$300,000 but this estimate did not include CCTV and data collection expenditure, the \$100,000 additional cost relates to the latter.*

*The CoL's total investment in the Northern Carpark is now \$400,000 up from the original \$300,000 estimated.*

*Once completed the carpark is owned by the Council and the Council is responsible for maintaining the asset from that time on.*

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**12.1.1 Councillors' Questions on Notice - Councillor T G Walker - Inveresk Precinct Carpark - Council Meeting - 10 February 2022 ...(Cont'd)**

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*Ongoing power, water, boom gate and pump station maintenance costs are shared 56.81% to UTAS and 43.19% to the CoL for the life of the agreement (20 years plus a 20 year option).*

*The additional \$100,000 has little impact on the overall investment amount, with the additional depreciation equating to an additional \$10,000 per annum.*

*Given that the CoL has only had to spend the \$400,000, the investment remains cash positive and will contribute positively to the CoL's underlying result.*

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**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.)*

**13 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**No Committee Reports have been identified as part of this Agenda**

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**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)

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**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 17 February 2022:

**Northern Tasmania Development Corporation**

*Councillors discussed a presentation from the Northern Tasmania Development Corporation.*

**Urban Canopy**

*Councillors discussed and overview of the Community Engagement stage of the Urban Forest Strategy.*

**Service Agreements for Cleaning Privately Owned CBD Carparks**

*Councillors received a presentation on the methodology and reasons for the review of proposed fees.*

**Building Better Regions**

*Councillors received an update on the Building Better Regions Fund - Round 6 Grant Application for the Launceston City Heart Stage 2 project.*

**Lease and Licence Policy**

*Councillors provided feedback on the Council's Draft Lease and Licence Policy.*

**YMCA Launceston Lease**

*Councillors discussed the current YMCA Launceston lease agreement as well as proposed agreements by YMCA Launceston for the premises.*

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

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**REPORT:**

Regulation 8(2)(c) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* says that the Agenda of an Ordinary Council Meeting is to include the date and purpose of any Council Workshop held since the last Meeting.

**ECONOMIC IMPACT:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

**SOCIAL IMPACT:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

**STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:**

City of Launceston Corporate Strategic Plan 2014-2024

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

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

Focus Areas:

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

**BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

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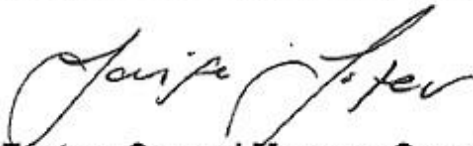
14.1 Council Workshop Report ...(Cont'd)

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**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.



**Louise Foster - General Manager Organisational Services Network**

**15 NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

**15.1 Notice of Motion - Councillor A M van Zetten - *Back Your Neighbour* Campaign**

**FILE NO:** SF5547/SF0310

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

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** Michael Stretton

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To consider a Notice of Motion regarding the *Back Your Neighbour* Campaign submitted by Councillor A M van Zetten.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council supports other municipalities in signing a letter to the Prime Minister, The Honourable Scott Morrison MP, requesting intervention for over 90,000 people who live within the Australian community without the basic support and safety needed to build their lives in our country, due to their refugee status.

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**REPORT:**

Correspondence has been received from Mr Daniel Scoullar, Campaign Manager for the *Back Your Neighbour* Campaign seeking the Council's support to join this worthy cause.

The purpose of this campaign is to seek change at Federal Government level, which will support refugees to have their refugee status confirmed and seek changes to Australia's Asylum system allowing these people access to Medicare or Centrelink. Without this access, an additional burden is currently being placed on local Councils and charities to support these members of our community.

**OFFICER COMMENT**

*Dan Ryan (General Manager Community and Place Network)*

*The Council currently experiences limited impact as an organisation due to the current asylum arrangements, however, this is clearly a significant social issue.*

*The municipality's migrant community is continuing to grow and diversify and the Council has some strong relationships in place with those services that support the migrant community.*

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**15.1 Notice of Motion - Councillor A M Van Zetten - *Back Your Neighbour* Campaign ...(Cont'd)**

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*There is no reference to any ongoing expectations from the Council as a local government authority by aligning with this motion and it is believed that it would be generally well received by the broader community.*

**ECONOMIC IMPACT:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

**SOCIAL IMPACT:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

**STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:**

City of Launceston Corporate Strategic Plan 2014-2024

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

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

Focus Areas:

1. To provide for the health, safety and welfare of the community.
2. To fairly and equitably discharge our statutory and governance obligations.
3. To ensure decisions are made on the basis of accurate and relevant information.

**BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

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**15.1 Notice of Motion - Councillor A M Van Zetten - *Back Your Neighbour* Campaign ...(Cont'd)**

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**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 Stretton - Chief Executive Officer**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Notice of Motion - Councillor A M van Zetten - *Back Your Neighbour* Campaign
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***Attachment 1 - Notice of Motion - Councillor A M van Zetten -  
Back Your Neighbour Campaign***

## CITY OF LAUNCESTON

### MEMORANDUM

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FILE NO: SF0310  
DATE: AvZ  
16 February 2022

**TO:** Michael Stretton                      Chief Executive Officer  
**c.c.**    Committee Clerks

**FROM:** Albert van Zetten                      Mayor

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Motion - Back Your Neighbour Campaign

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In accordance with Clause 16 (5) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* please accept this Notice of Motion for placement on the agenda of the Meeting of Council to be held on 24 February 2022.

#### **Motion**

That Council support other municipalities in signing a letter to the Prime Minister, Mr Scott Morrison requesting intervention for over 90,000 people who live within the Australian community without the basic support and safety needed to build their lives in our country, due to their refugee status.

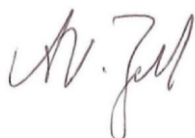
#### **Background**

Correspondence has been received from Daniel Scoullar, Campaign Manager for Back Your Neighbour Campaign seeking Council's support to join this worthy cause.

The purpose of this campaign is to seek change at Federal Government level, which will support refugees to have their refugee status confirmed, and seeking changes to Australia's Asylum system allowing these people access to Medicare or Centrelink. Without this access, an additional burden is currently being placed on local Council's and charities to support these members of our community.

#### **Attachments**

Back Your Neighbour Information Flyer



**Mayor Albert van Zetten**

## CITY OF LAUNCESTON

### MEMORANDUM



**BACK YOUR NEIGHBOUR**

It's time to stand up for our neighbours, friends and local communities. Help us end uncertainty and provide the support people need to build their lives.

[www.backyourneighbour.com.au](http://www.backyourneighbour.com.au)

Australia is keeping more than 5,000 people living in limbo for up to 9 years while their applications for asylum are stuck in a broken system.

This cruel approach prevents individuals and families gaining the stability that refugee status provides. The result is vulnerable people living on the edge for years.

People seeking asylum who live in the community are also denied access to funded support services such as Centrelink, Medicare, public housing, homelessness, education, mental health and material aid.

This leaves highly vulnerable individuals and families, with nothing to survive on but help from local councils and charity volunteers.

The Federal Government has a responsibility to process asylum claims quickly and to support people until their refugee status is resolved.

State and territory governments must also commit additional funding to ensure local support services can provide access to people who are waiting for their refugee status to be finalised.

Australians support each other in hard times and we are asking our federal, state and territory governments to do the same.

It's time for all of us to take action and back our neighbours, friends and local community members when they need us most.

The Back Your Neighbour Campaign is a coalition of Australian local governments, community groups, welfare organisations and individual Australians who oppose cuts aimed at the most vulnerable members of our community.

Find out more at [www.backyourneighbour.com.au](http://www.backyourneighbour.com.au)

#### We are calling on the Federal Government to:

1. Replace the existing claims processing system with a single Refugee Status Determination process and an independent, timely and fair merits review
2. Replace Temporary Protection Visas with a permanent humanitarian protection visa
3. Increase funding to urgently clear the backlog of asylum applications and appeals
4. Provide access to Centrelink, Medicare, employment support and other vital services

#### We are calling on state and territory governments to:

5. Provide funding to local services who are supporting individuals and families seeking asylum

More information: [contact@backyourneighbour.com.au](mailto:contact@backyourneighbour.com.au) / [www.backyourneighbour.com.au](http://www.backyourneighbour.com.au)

**15.2 Notice of Motion - Councillor P S Spencer - Banning of Jumping Castle/Inflatable Devices****FILE NO:** SF5547**AUTHOR:** Anthea Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** Michael Stretton

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To consider a Notice of Motion regarding the banning of jumping castles/inflatable devices submitted by Councillor P S Spencer.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City of Launceston ban the use of jumping castles on Council owned properties and facilities operated by Council.

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**REPORT:**

Due to the jumping castle tragedy at the Hillcrest Primary School in December 2021, a number of Tasmanian Councils have banned the use of jumping castles.

To provide safety to all involved, banning of these inflatable devices on Council owned properties and facilities in the City of Launceston would be a safe and sensible solution.

**OFFICER COMMENT:**

*Michael Stretton (Chief Executive Officer)*

*The Council has previously received correspondence from the Premier on this matter.*

*In response, at an operational level, the Council's officers have determined not to permit jumping castles to be operated at Council events and have spoken with event organisers similarly.*

*The Council's officers also discussed this position with the largest jumping castle operator in Launceston.*

*Accordingly, the motion is supported.*

**ECONOMIC IMPACT:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

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**15.2 Notice of Motion - Councillor P S Spencer - Banning of Jumping Castle/Inflatable Devices ...(Cont'd)**

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**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

**SOCIAL IMPACT:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

**STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:**

City of Launceston Corporate Strategic Plan 2014-2024

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

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

Focus Areas:

1. To provide for the health, safety and welfare of the community.
3. To ensure decisions are made on the basis of accurate and relevant information.

**BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

**DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:**

The officer has no conflict of interest in this item.

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



Michael Stretton - Chief Executive Officer

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Notice of Motion - Councillor P S Spencer - Banning of Jumping Castles/Inflatable Devices
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**Attachment 1 - Notice of Motion - Councillor P S Spencer -  
Banning of Jumping Castles/Inflatable Devices**

## CITY OF LAUNCESTON

### MEMORANDUM

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FILE NO: SF5547  
DATE: PS  
16 February 2022

TO: Michael Stretton Chief Executive Officer  
c.c. Committee Clerks

FROM: Paul Spencer Councillor

**SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Banning of Jumping Castles/Inflatable Devices**

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In accordance with Clause 16 (5) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* please accept this Notice of Motion for placement on the agenda of the Meeting of Council to be held on 24 February 2022.

#### **Motion**

The City of Launceston ban the use of jumping castles on Council owned properties and facilities operated by Council.

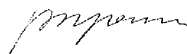
#### **Background**

Due to the jumping castle tragedy at the Hillcrest Primary School in December 2021, a number of Tasmanian Councils have banned the use of jumping castles.

To provide safety to all involved, banning of these inflatable devices on Council owned properties and facilities in the City of Launceston would be a safe and sensible solution.

#### **Attachments**

N/A



**Councillor Paul Spencer**

**16 COMMUNITY AND PLACE NETWORK ITEMS**

**No Items have been identified as part of this Agenda**

**17 CREATIVE ARTS AND CULTURAL SERVICES NETWORK ITEMS**

**No Items have been identified as part of this Agenda**

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**18 INFRASTRUCTURE AND ASSETS NETWORK ITEMS****18.1 Transport Committee - Appointment of Councillor Representatives****FILE NO:** SF7429**AUTHOR:** Nick Browne (Team Leader Roads and Traffic)**GENERAL MANAGER:** Shane Eberhardt (Infrastructure and Assets Network)

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To appoint two Councillors to the City of Launceston Transport Committee.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

Workshop - 20 January 2022 - General Business

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council appoints Councillors Hugh McKenzie and Alan Harris to the Transport Committee for the period 24 February to October 2022.

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**REPORT:**

The Terms of Reference for a new City of Launceston Transport Committee was passed by Council at its Meeting held on 4 November 2021.

The Terms of Reference state that:

- Membership of the committee will include two Councillors, one of which is to Chair the committee.
- Membership is to be reviewed every two years.

At the Workshop held on 20 January 2022, Councillors discussed the appointment of Councillors to this Committee with Councillors Hugh McKenzie and Alan Harris nominating for the positions.

**ECONOMIC IMPACT:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

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**18.1 Transport Committee - Appointment of Councillor Representatives ...(Cont'd)**

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**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

**SOCIAL IMPACT:**

The purpose of the Transport Committee is to champion and progress the achievement of the Greater Launceston Transport Vision and Launceston Transport Strategy.

**STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:**

City of Launceston Corporate Strategic Plan 2014-2024

Strategic Priority 1: We connect with our community and our region through meaningful engagement, cooperation and representation.

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 Areas:

3. To advocate and collaborate to enhance regionally significant services and infrastructure for the benefit of our communities.

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

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

Focus Areas:

1. To plan for and provide services and facilities that recognises the changing demographics and needs of our community.
5. To promote and support active and healthy lifestyles of our community.

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

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

Focus Areas:

3. To improve and maintain accessibility, transport options and infrastructure within the Launceston area, including its rural areas.

**BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:**

Not considered relevant to this report.

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18.1 Transport Committee - Appointment of Councillor Representatives ...(Cont'd)

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**DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:**

The officer has no conflict of interest in this item.

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



**Shane Eberhardt - General Manager Infrastructure and Assets Network**

**19 ORGANISATIONAL SERVICES NETWORK ITEMS**

**No Items have been identified as part of this Agenda**

**20 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER NETWORK ITEMS**

**No Items have been identified as part of this Agenda**

**21 CLOSED COUNCIL**

**No Closed Items have been identified as part of this Agenda**

**22 MEETING CLOSURE**

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