

# **COUNCIL MINUTES**

COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY 6 APRIL 2023
1.00PM

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

Date: 6 April 2023

Time: 1.00pm

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#### Background

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Michael Stretton
Chief Executive Officer

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#### Present:

**Councillor D C Gibson (Mayor)** 

**Councillor M K Garwood (Deputy Mayor)** 

**Councillor D H McKenzie** 

Councillor A E Dawkins

**Councillor A G Harris** 

Councillor T G Walker

Councillor Dr G Razay

**Councillor J J Pentridge** 

Councillor A J Palmer

Councillor L M McMahon

Councillor S Cai

**Councillor A J Britton** 

#### In Attendance:

**Michael Stretton (Chief Executive Officer)** 

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

Leanne Purchase (Acting General Manager Organisational Services Network)

Shane Eberhardt (General Manager Infrastructure and Assets Network)

Shane Fitzgerald (General Manager Creative Arts and Cultural Services Network)

Richard Jamieson (Manager City Development) (Agenda Items 9.1 and 9.2)

**Duncan Payton (Town Planner) (Agenda Item 9.1)** 

lain More (Senior Town Planner Policy and Projects) (Agenda Item 9.2)

**Simon Tennant (Team Leader Communications)** 

**Duncan Campbell (Acting Manager Governance)** 

**Kelsey Hartland (Team Leader Governance)** 

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

The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, opened the Meeting at 1.00pm.

The Mayor provided an Acknowledgement of Country.

#### 2. MAYORAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

There were no Mayoral Acknowledgements for this Meeting

#### 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Local Government Act 1993 (Tas) - section 48

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

No Declarations of Interest were identified as part of these Minutes

#### 4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the City of Launceston Council held on 23 March 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

**DECISION: 6 April 2023** 

### **MOTION**

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

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the City of Launceston Council held on 23 March 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED 12:0

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

#### 5. COUNCIL WORKSHOPS

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

### 5.1. Council Workshop Report - 23 and 30 March 2023

**FILE NO: SF4401** 

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

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

#### **DECISION STATEMENT:**

To consider Council Workshops conducted since the last Council Meeting.

#### **RELEVANT LEGISLATION:**

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

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

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

1. pre-Council Workshop conducted on 23 March 2023:

#### **University of Tasmania Update**

Councillors were introduced to the University of Tasmania's Vice-Chancellor, Professor Rufus Black and receive an update on progress with the Newnham Masterplan.

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

Apologies: Councillor D H McKenzie

2. Workshop conducted on 30 March 2023:

## **Northern Tasmania Development Corporation**

Councillor were provided with an update on the Northern Tasmania Development Corporation's recent activities and achievements.

#### **University of Tasmania Stadium Redevelopment**

Councillors received a presentation regarding Stage 1 of the University of Tasmania redevelopment.

#### **Waste Charges and Waste Rate**

Councillors received an overview of the Launceston Waste Centre and a proposal to amend disposal fees so that a full cost recovery is achieved. Proposed Waste Management (bin) Charges for 2023/2024 were also presented to Councillors for consideration.

# Planning Scheme - Professional Development (Councillors)

Councillors were provided with a refresher to the Planning Scheme and the development application process.

#### **Albert Hall**

Councillors received an update on contract negotiation, funding requirements and the communication strategy for the Albert Hall.

### **Launceston Central City Marketing Brand Presentation**

Councillors received a presentation regarding the proposed brand for the reformed organisation.

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

**DECISION**: 6 April 2023

#### **MOTION**

Moved Councillor A E Dawkins, seconded Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood.

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

CARRIED 12:0

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

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

No Councillors' Leave of Absence Applications have been identified as part of this Agenda.

### 7. COMMUNITY REPORTS

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

# 7.1. Katie MacLaren (Office Coordinator) and Stephen Saunders (Volunteer Administration) - Wilderness Society (Tasmania)

**FILE NO:** SF6368

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

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER APPROVAL: Michael Stretton

#### SUMMARY OF PRESENTATION

Katie and Stephen provided Council with information on the Wilderness Society's Charles Street Centre which acts as the base for campaigns in Tasmania's north, including the Community Rights in Environmental Decision-Making campaign. The organisation provides a meeting space for community groups and supplies information to local and international visitors about Tasmanian natural heritage.

The Wilderness Society has many ongoing campaigns resulting in better outcomes for the community and the environment. Their work has contributed to protecting millions of hectares of wilderness.

#### 8. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 - Regulation 31

#### 8.1. Public Questions on Notice

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

# 8.1.1. Public Questions on Notice - Charmaine Baines - Facilities at Launceston Leisure and Aquatic Centre - 16 March 2023

**FILE NO: SF6381** 

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

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER: Michael Stretton

#### QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES:

The following questions, submitted in writing to the Council on 16 March 2023 by Charmaine Baines, have been answered by Dan Ryan (General Manager Community and Place Network).

#### Questions:

Disabled toilets are there specifically for people with disabilities and they are there for good reasons. People with disabilities should not be further discriminated against because the Council has allowed *gender neutral* facilities. Single sex spaces should be separated by sex, not gender. Gender is a subjective term. Sex is biological reality. By keeping facilities at the Aquatic Centre single sex, this will safeguard children and women and provide privacy and dignity for both sexes.

- 1. Why are they asking for a single sex disabled toilet and change room being made available for non-disabled people to use?
- 2. Why is the Council allowing the opposite sex into what should be single sex facilities?
- 3. How does the Council propose to safeguard women and children whilst also allowing privacy and dignity for both sexes?

# Response:

- 1. This question referes to a previous Question on Notice answered by the Council on this matter. Launceston Aquatic Centre's current offering has male and female change spaces with individual stalls, as well as private changing areas. Change room areas for people requiring wheelchairs are fitted with a hoist, are pin coded and can only be accessed by patrons requiring such assistance.
- 2. The Anti-Discrimination Act 1998 (Tas) prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender self-identity.

3. Any behaviour of patrons within the Launceston Aquatic Centre which is either unlawful or breaches Centre's rules are investigated and action is taken to appropriately address such behaviours.

# 8.1.2. Public Questions on Notice - Ray Norman - Delegated Authorities, Launceston Waste Centre and City Greening - 27 and 28 March 2023

**FILE NO: SF6381** 

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

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER: Michael Stretton** 

#### **QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES:**

The following questions, submitted in writing to the Council on 27 and 28 March 2023 by Ray Norman, have been answered by Leanne Purchase (Manager Governance), Shane Eberhardt (General Manager Infrastructure and Assets Network) and Dan Ryan (General Manager Community and Place Network).

#### Questions:

1. [In relation to delegations at the City of Launceston] ...by what authority, delegated or other, within the Local Government Act 1993 (Tas) does the Chief Executive Officer and the Mayor now deem - apparently without reference to all Councillors - that, at this point in time there is no intention to alter the current practice of assigning or administering delegated authorities within the Council ...? ... will the Mayor or the Chief Executive Officer please explain how this is the case on the record for the benefit of all of the Council's constituency?

### Response:

The delegations that are currently in place at the City of Launceston are the subject of an ongoing and cyclic review process. This system has been in place for many years across many elected Councils which has enabled the Council to operate in an effective manner. The delegations register is transparently provided on the Council's website so that anyone with an interest can access, review and identify any areas of concern. This could then, of course, be raised with any elected member to consider.

2. [With regard to the Launceston Waste Centre operations], will the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer disclose where the Council garners the required funding for the operation of the Waste Management Centre and how the Council receives these funds and in what timeframe; what income is generated from fees and charges; how it is that ratepayers make no contribution at all for their weekly waste collection service and just how secure any alternative funding source is likely to be going forward without impacting in any way upon ratepayers' rate demands?

#### Response:

In 2014 Council adopted the following position:

The Council adopts the following principles for determining the sustainable fees for disposing waste:

- 1. Fees are set on a full cost recovery basis plus a return on capital.
- 2. In terms of setting fees the waste transfer station and landfill is considered as a single business operation.
- 3. The implementation of sustainable fees to commence on 1 January 2015. The transfer stations will be transitions to full cost recovery over eight years and the landfill will be transitioned over two years.
- 4. If required the price will be calculated for the Carbon Pricing Mechanism. The need to include this will be determined prior to 1 January 2015.

Since January 2015 the Council has been working towards achieving full cost recovery with the Council's officers currently undertaking an update on the pricing models for the Launceston Waste Centre. This means that the Launceston Waste Centre is funded through fees collected at the weighbridge based on the weight disposed. Kerbside collection services are funded through the Waste Charge which is itemised on the rates notice.

3. [With regard to the City of Launceston's greening of the City initiatives] ... will Council now, as other jurisdictions do and are doing, proactively engage with multiple designated *precinct greening community networks* to enable Council to ... engage the constituency in its placemaking and cultural placescaping in multiple and diverse contexts?

### Response:

The City of Launceston has not abandoned greening of the City and suburbs with the Launceston City Heart Project featuring as a priority project in its Annual Plan and the current development of the Urban Greening Plan (the Plan) for which consultation closed on the 31 March 2023. The Plan seeks to double tree canopy by 2040.

# 8.1.3. Public Questions on Notice - Rafael Molina (Tamar Bicycle Users Group) - Cycling Infrastructure - 23 March 2023

**FILE NO: SF6381** 

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

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER: Michael Stretton** 

#### **QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES:**

The following question, asked at the Council Meeting on 23 March 2023 by Rafael Molina, has been answered by Shane Eberhardt (General Manager Infrastructure and Assets Network).

#### Questions:

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

#### Response:

There is no single piece of infrastructure that can make a city a great place for cycling. Whether cycling for recreation or for commuting, a great cycling trip relies on a system of infrastructure that supports the entire trip. Launceston has a strong recreational cycling community and has many great off-road and separated cycle ways, passing through scenic areas that support this type of cycling. However, cycling is not yet a significant mode of transport for travel in Launceston.

Launceston does have a good base of on-road cycling facilities, and assessment completed for the Launceston Transport Strategy indicates that most of the urban area can access education, health facilities and activity centres within 15 minutes of cycling travel - an aspirational target for many cities across the world.

The City of Launceston recognises that whilst we are starting from a good base, there is scope for improvement in removing gaps in our cycling network infrastructure in order to make cycling a more attractive option, particularly for those less confident riding on the road. The Launceston Transport Strategy highlights the importance of continual improvement in this space.

- **8.2.** Public Questions Without Notice
  Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 Regulation 31(2)(b)
- 8.2.1. Public Questions Without Notice Ron Baines Albert Hall Refurbishment 6 April 2023
- 1. Is one reason for the refurbishment of the Albert Hall to enable UTAS to utilise this facility?

The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, responded by saying categorically no, that is not the case.

- 8.2.2. Public Questions Without Notice Ron Baines Ward System 6 April 2023
- 1. Apparently the ward system in place some years ago worked well. Is there any valid reason this system could not be reinstated to benefit the ratepayers and residents apart from some inconvenience for Councillors?

The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, responded by advising that Council is awaiting the arrival of a report into the review of local government in Tasmania and potentially the Ward system could be included in that report.

- 8.2.3. Public Questions Without Notice Ron Baines Parking and Pedestrians in the Central Business District (CBD) 6 April 2023
- 1. When in house expertise is not available I understand Council consults with experts in a given field? Yes? Please consider this then.

UTAS transport Expert and academic Bob Colgrave said "Cars in a Launceston context are irreplaceable, and more restrictive parking will stagnate the CBD, more unobtrusive and attractive parking would be beneficial". Yet this Council is pursuing a policy of pedestrian in direct opposition to a stated experts on this subject. Why?

Shane Eberhardt (General Manager Infrastructure and Assets Network) responded by saying Council's direction in terms of traffic and parking in the CBD is primarily set by the Launceston City Heart Master Plan and its incorrect to say that we are removing parking from the City. The principles of the strategy are about providing more equitable space for pedestrians and trying to balance the need for people to get into the City and through the City versus the need to support pedestrianisation of the City. Shane advised that he is more than happy to catch up with Mr Baines and the university expert to discuss further.

# 8.2.4. Public Questions Without Notice - Rocelyn Ives - Community Meeting Places - 6 April 2023

1. The recent motion passed by council about the Barracks building being considered for public use is a timely one. Cultural, social and charitable organisations are a major contributor to Launceston's spirit of connecting and exciting involvement by community members.

However there is a problem for many groups meeting and presenting events after 5 pm. Because many of these groups, such as the Book Council, poetry groups etc, function on very meagre budgets without sponsorship, and in the interest of being inclusive to all don't wish to charge entrance fees to cover hire charges of halls etc, they have only the option of pubs to meet and hold functions. To encourage attendance numbers a central location is always preferred. Macquarie House is under-utilised and the hiring fees are beyond the budgets of many small voluntary run organisations, clubs and associations. The Barrack's building would be a perfect answer to this need.

Would council consider when making a decision about this space that a hiring service for groups to meet and hold functions there is an acute need and would further Council's goals of building an inclusive and cultural diverse society?

Michael Stretton (Chief Executive Officer) responded by saying that the Department of Defence has identified that it intends to divest the barracks site once suitable arrangements are in place for its reservist and cadet activities. This is not expected to occur until 2025/26 at the earliest.

Throughout this year the City of Launceston will undertake a pre-feasibility study exploring the risks and opportunities involved in a potential acquisition of the site. As part of this process the Council will consider future opportunities for the site, using input from community groups, event organisers, business stakeholders, and more.

The Council has already received expressions of interest from community groups to use the barracks building to meetings, functions and the like, and therefore, this use will be considered as part of this process.

# 8.2.5. Public Questions Without Notice - Rocelyn Ives - Chairlift at Cataract Gorge Refurbishment - 6 April 2023

# 1. Chairlift at Cataract Gorge refurbishment

The question follows the item in the last agenda/ minutes from the council workshop on the 16<sup>th</sup> March about the plan for refurbishment of the Cataract Gorge chairlift. Our Launceston community considers the Cataract Gorge as their special place. This was underscored with the previous proposal for a cable car, which was rejected by council.

For all members of the community to walk together in support of the chairlift refurbishment, the changes that may or may not be proposed to council for Council consent would more likely be fully supported by the community if presented to the public well before a DA is proposed. It would serve both the proponents and council's interest to garner public support before a DA is presented to council.

Would Council consider the advantage of speaking to the public about the proposal and its detail as part of the process before the DA is formulated?

Michael Stretton (Chief Executive Officer) responded by saying the owners of the Cataract Gorge Chairlift have advised that the Council that due to the age of the asset there is a pressing need for refurbishment works to occur.

The owners have recently completed some early engagement with the Council to outline the proposed refurbishment works.

At this stage it is still very early in the process and there is a significant amount of consultation, investigations, studies and design that will need to occur.

The Council is certainly able to recommend to the owners that they undertake a community engagement process once they have advanced the proposal to a sufficient stage. Council officers have spoken to owners representative and they are open to the suggestion.

8.2.6. Public Questions Without Notice - The Hon. Rosemary Armitage MLC -Eastern Bypass - 6 April 2023

1. Can you please advise the Council's view regarding an eastern bypass, whether it is still being considered by Council, and whether it is/or is not aligned with the Council's development strategies as detailed above, and what could be done to improve or rectify the situation?

Michael Stretton (Chief Executive Officer) responded by saying that the **Greater Launceston Plan proposed the development of the Launceston** connector Route to provide a bypass and connector road function around Launceston's inner and middle suburbs. The proposed route comprised:

Proposed eastern bypass route to run from McKenzie street at Mowbray Link Road south-east through heritage Forest and along the North Esk River valley to Johnsons street at St Leonards

The south-east bypass concept was subjected to a feasibility study by the Department of State Growth in 2022.

This study examined the feasibility of building a bypass between the East Tamar and Midland highways aimed at reducing congestion in the city centre by diverting freight traffic away from the city centre.

It looked at several options, including between the Mowbray Connector on the East Tamar Highway and Hoblers Bridge Road; and from St Leonards Road, crossing the North Esk flood plain using Johnston Road and a new section to the west of the rail corridor with two further options to connect to the Midland Highway.

The study found a bypass would not deliver significant improvements to traffic congestion, economic development and liveability. A cost benefit analysis rated the major bypass options as having weak economic benefits.

Traffic modelling showed a bypass would not significantly improve travel times and was not an attractive option for longer distance trips compared to the existing route between the East Tamar and Midland Highways. It would mostly benefit local traffic.

The study has also indicated there would not be any significant improvements to active transport or a reduction in traffic incidents and identified a potential increase in flood risk to the riverside of the bypass.

Based on the findings above, study report recommended:

- 1. none of the bypass options warrant progression to Stage 2 of the feasibility assessment; and
- 2. a further study is warranted to investigate options of locating the primary freight handling facility to outside of central Launceston.

Based largely on the feasibility study eastern bypass is not included in the Council's current Launceston Transport Strategy. However, The Council is currently working with the Department of State Growth to progress the study into freight handling facilities which does have the potential to improve the situation.

2. [With regard to the Eastern bypass and work that Council and the Department of State Growth to progress a study into freight handling facilities] .... Do we have a timeframe for the further study?

The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, advised that this question would be Taken on Notice and a response provided in the Council Agenda of 20 April 2023.

- 8.2.7. Public Questions Without Notice Rafael Molina Cycling Infrastructure 6 April 2023
- 1. What type of cycling infrastructure is the city of Launceston considering to build or improve in order to make the City of Launceston more attractive for cycling as a transport option?

The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, advised that this question would be Taken on Notice and a response provided in the Council Agenda of 20 April 2023.

# 9. PLANNING AUTHORITY

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

# 9.1. DA0580/2022 - 112 Tamar Street, Launceston - Residential - Construction of Two Dwellings

**FILE NO:** DA0580/2022

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

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

#### **DECISION STATEMENT:**

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

# PLANNING APPLICATION INFORMATION:

Applicant: 6ty° Pty Ltd

Property: 112 Tamar Street, Launceston

Zoning: General Residential

Receipt Date: 23/09/2022
Validity Date: 21/11/2022
Further Information Request: 22/11/2022
Further Information Received: 07/02/2023
Deemed Approval (extension granted): 10/04/2023

Representations: 16

#### **RELEVANT LEGISLATION:**

Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 Launceston Interim Planning Scheme 2015

#### STANDARDS REQUIRING PLANNING DISCRETION:

8.4.2 P3 - Setbacks and building envelope for all dwellings

8.4.3 P1 - Site coverage and private open space for all dwellings

8.4.6 P1 - Privacy for all dwellings

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That, in accordance with sections 51 and 57 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act* 1993 and the Launceston Interim Planning Scheme 2015, a permit be granted for DA0580/2022 - Residential - construction of two dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, Launceston, subject to the following conditions:

#### 1. ENDORSED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS

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

- a. Cover, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A000, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- b. Site Plan, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A101, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- c. Site Survey, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A102, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- d. Plan of Strata, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A103, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- e. Dwelling 01 Ground Floor, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A201, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- f. Dwelling 01 Lower Ground Floor, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A202, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- g. Dwelling 01 First Floor, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A203, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- h. Dwelling 02 Ground, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A204, revision 1, dated31/01/2023
- i. Dwelling 02 First, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A205, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- j. Dwelling 02 Second, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A206, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- k. TH1 North Western Elevation, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A301, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- I. TH1 North Eastern Elevation, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A302, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- m. TH1 South Eastern Elevation, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A303, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- n. TH1 South Western Elevation, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A304, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- o. TH2 North Western Elevation, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A305, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- p. TH2 North Eastern Elevation, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A306, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- q. TH2 South Western Elevation, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A307, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- r. TH2 South Eastern Elevation, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A308, revision 1, dated31/01/2023
- s. Site Sections, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A401, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- t. Shadow Diagrams 10am Existing, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A501, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- u. Shadow Diagrams 10am Proposed, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A502, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- v. Shadow Diagrams Midday Existing, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A503, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- w. Shadow Diagrams Midday Proposed, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A504, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- x. Shadow Diagrams 3pm Existing, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed

- dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A505, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- y. Shadow Diagrams 3pm Proposed, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no A506, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- z. Tamar Street Perspective, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no P01, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.
- aa. Brisbane Street Perspective, prepared by S Group, project no. J18.115, proposed dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, page no P02, revision 1, dated 31/01/2023.

#### 2. AMENDED PLANS REQUIRED

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

- a. privacy screens as required by Condition 6;
- b. storage area for waste bins; and
- c. corrected area notation to provide consistency between plans A101 and A103

Amended plans should include identification information such as updated revision numbers, revision date and revision description. The changes are to be highlighted in red clouds or a format agreed with the planning officer.

#### 3. LEGAL TITLE

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

#### 4. TASWATER

The development must comply with the requirements of TasWater as detailed in the form Submission to Planning Authority Notice, Reference No. TWDA 2022/01899-LCC, dated 06/02/2023 and attached to the permit.

#### 5. HOURS OF CONSTRUCTION

Construction works must only be carried out between the hours of: Monday to Friday - 7am and 6pm Saturday - 9am to 6pm Sundays and Public Holidays - 10am to 6pm

#### 6. PRIVACY SCREEN

Privacy screens of 1.7m high, with a uniform transparency of not more than 25% must be erected along the north-western side of all decks within 3m of the north-western lot boundary to ensure reasonable privacy for the adjoining properties.

#### 7. DAMAGE TO THE COUNCIL'S INFRASTRUCTURE

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

#### 8. WORKS WITHIN/OCCUPATION OF THE ROAD RESERVE

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

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

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

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

#### 9. SOIL AND WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

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

#### 10. CONSTRUCTION OF RETAINING WALLS

All retaining walls located within 1.5m of the property boundaries are to be designed and certified by a suitably qualified person. The design must have regard to the installation of fencing atop the retaining wall and other imposed loading in addition to site conditions on adjoining properties.

#### 11. AMENITY

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

#### 12. NO BURNING OF WASTE

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

#### 13. DEMOLITION

The developer must:

- a. protect property and services which are to either remain on or adjacent to the site from interference or damage;
- b. not undertake any burning of waste materials or removed vegetation;
- c. remove all rubbish from the site for disposal at a licensed waste disposal site;
- d. dispose of any asbestos found during demolition in accordance with the Safe Work Australia *How to Safely Remove Asbestos: Code of Practice, July 2020*, or any subsequent versions of the document.

#### Notes

## A. General

This permit was issued based on the proposal documents submitted for DA0580/2022. You should contact the Council with any other use or developments, as they may require the separate approval of the Council. The Council's planning staff can be contacted on 6323 3000.

This permit takes effect after:

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

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

#### B. Restrictive Covenants

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

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

# C. Appeal Provisions

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

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

For more information see the Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (TASCAT) website <a href="www.tascat.tas.gov.au">www.tascat.tas.gov.au</a>

#### D. Permit Commencement

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

#### E. Fixed Equipment Use

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

F. No Approval for Alterations to Driveway Crossover

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

Steven Fone spoke against the Recommendation

Steven Fone (on behalf Christine Philpott) spoke against the Recommendation Bev Newton (on behalf of the owners of 2 Welman Street) spoke against the Recommendation

Malcolm Philpott spoke against the Recommendation George Walker (6ty°) spoke for the Recommendation

Councillor Dr G Razay withdrew from the Meeting at 2:15 pm Councillor Dr G Razay re-attended the Meeting at 2:19 pm

**DECISION**: 6 April 2023

**MOTION 1** 

Moved Councillor D H McKenzie, seconded Councillor A G Harris.

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

**LOST 2:10** 

FOR VOTE: Councillor A G Harris and Councillor J J Pentridge AGAINST VOTE: Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor D H McKenzie, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton **DECISION: 6 April 2023** 

**MOTION 2** 

Moved Councillor T G Walker, seconded Councillor A E Dawkins.

That an additional three minutes speaking time be granted to Councillor D H McKenzie.

**CARRIED 12:0** 

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

**DECISION**: 6 April 2023

**MOTION 3** 

Moved Councillor L M McMahon, seconded Councillor S Cai.

That, in accordance with sections 51 and 57 of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 and the Tasmania Planning Scheme - Launceston, a permit be refused for DA0580/2022 - Residential - construction of two dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, Launceston, on the following grounds:

- 1. the siting and scale of the proposed dwellings causes an unreasonable loss of amenity to adjoining properties through the overshadowing of the private open space of a dwelling on an adjoining property and does not satisfy clause 8.4.2 P3 (a)(ii); and
- 2. the siting and scale of the proposed dwellings causes an unreasonable loss of amenity to adjoining properties through the visual impacts caused by the apparent scale, bulk or proportions of the dwelling when viewed from an adjoining property and does not satisfy clause 8.4.2 P3 (a)(iv) of the scheme.

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

Council adjourned for a break at 2.33pm Council returned from the break 2.38pm

Councillor L M McMahon withdrew from the Meeting at 2:39 pm Councillor L M McMahon re-attended the Meeting at 2:39 pm

Councillor S Cai re-attended the meeting after the break at 2.40pm

**DECISION: 6 April 2023** 

#### AMENDED MOTION

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

That, in accordance with sections 51 and 57 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* and the Tasmania Planning Scheme - Launceston, a permit be refused for DA0580/2022 - Residential - construction of two dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, Launceston, on the following grounds:

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- 2. the siting and scale of the proposed dwellings causes an unreasonable loss of amenity to adjoining properties through the visual impacts caused by the apparent scale, bulk or proportions of the dwelling when viewed from an adjoining property and does not satisfy clause 8.4.2 P3 (a)(iv) of the scheme.
- 3. the proposal does not satisfy 8.4.6(P1) as it would cause unreasonable overlooking, impacting privacy.

CARRIED 12:0

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

THE MOTION AS AMENDED IS THE SUBSTANTIVE MOTION

**DECISION: 6 April 2023** 

#### **MOTION 4**

Moved Councillor L M McMahon, seconded Councillor S Cai.

That, in accordance with sections 51 and 57 of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 and the Tasmania Planning Scheme - Launceston, a permit be refused for DA0580/2022 - Residential - construction of two dwellings at 112 Tamar Street, Launceston, on the following grounds:

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- 3. the proposal does not satisfy 8.4.6(P1) as it would cause unreasonable overlooking, impacting privacy.

#### CARRIED 12:0

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

# 9.2. PSA-LLP0003 - Relbia Subdivision Specific Area Plan

FILE NO: PSA-LLP0003

AUTHORS: Iain More (Senior Town Planner Policy and Projects) and Anushka Gardiye

(Town Planner)

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

#### **DECISION STATEMENT:**

To decide whether to reject or exhibit Amendment PSA-LLP0003 to the Launceston Local Provisions Schedule of the Tasmanian Planning Scheme.

#### **RELEVANT LEGISLATION:**

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

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council:

- Pursuant to section 40D of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993, agrees to, and initiates Amendment PSA-LLP0003, to the Launceston Local Provisions Schedule. to:
  - remove LAU-S6.0 Relbia and Glenwood Road Specific Area Plan from the Launceston Local Provisions Schedule and replace with LAU-S6.0 Relbia Subdivision Specific Area Plan, attached as Instrument 1;
  - b. rezone Rural Living B to Rural Living A over 16 properties, attached as Instrument 2;
  - c. rezone Rural zoned land to Rural living B over 18 properties, attached as Instrument 3;
  - c. rezone Agriculture land to Rural land over seven properties, attached as Instrument 4:
  - e. apply the priority vegetation overlay to land being rezoned from Agriculture to Rural, shown as Instrument 5
- 2. Pursuant to section 40F of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, certifies draft amendment PSA-LLP0003; and
- 3. Pursuant to sections 40G and 40H of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, determines the period for public exhibition be 28 days

Date

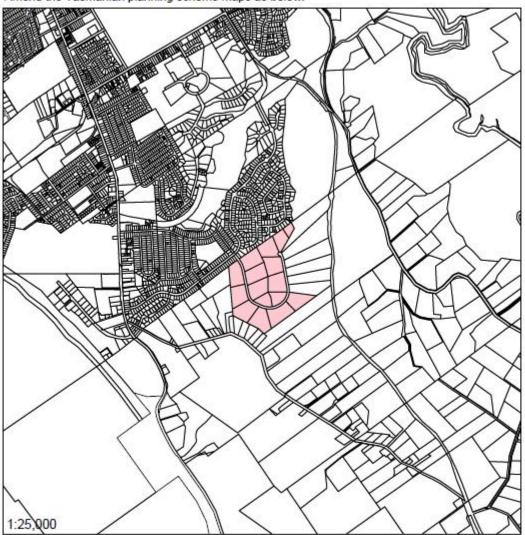
# TASMANIAN PLANNING SCHEME - LAUNCESTON **Amendment PSA-LLP003** Apply the Relbia Subdivision Specific Area Plan to the following properties at Relbia as shown: Amend the Tasmanian planning scheme maps as below: Relbia Subdivision Specific Area THE COMMON SEAL of the City of Launceston was hereunto affixed in the Michael Stretton presences of: -Chief Executive Officer

Instrument 1 - LAU-S6.0 Relbia Subdivision Specific Area Plan Map

Apply the Rural Living Zone A to the following properties at Relbia as shown:

Titles include:14032/20, 14032/2, 14032/5, 14032/3, 144295/1, 14032/14, 14032/14, 14032/15, 117535/2, 14032/4, 14032/19, 14032/6, 14032/18, 144295/2, 14032/16, 117535/1, 14032/1

Amend the Tasmanian planning scheme maps as below:





Rural Living Zone A

THE COMMON SEAL of the City of Launceston was hereunto affixed in the presences of: -

Michael Stretton Chief Executive Officer

Date

Instrument 2 - Rural Living B to Rural Living A

Apply the Rural Living Zone B to the following properties at Relbia as shown:

Titles included: 26657/2, 6168/1, 181433/1, 24079/9, 35943/1, 30552/194, 22271/1, 24079/2, 24079/3, 24079/1, 28348/2, 28348/3, 9054/1, 28348/1, 129968/1, 35904/1, 35378/1, 26973/1

Amend the Tasmanian planning scheme maps as below:





Rural Living Zone B

THE COMMON SEAL of the City of Launceston was hereunto affixed in the presences of: -

Michael Stretton Chief Executive Officer

Date

Instrument 3 - Rural to Rural Living B

Apply the Rural Zone to the following properties at Relbia as shown:

Titles included: 144388/1, 32517/1, 130808/2, 9054/1, 130686/1, 24552/3, 129968/2, 6529/1

Amend the Tasmanian planning scheme maps as below:





Rural Zone

THE COMMON SEAL of the City of Launceston was hereunto affixed in the presences of: -

Michael Stretton Chief Executive Officer

Date

Instrument 4 - Agriculture to Rural

Apply the Priority Vegetation Overlay to the following properties at Relbia as shown:

Titles included: 9054/1, 24552/3, 144388/1, 32517/1, 6529/1

Amend the Tasmanian planning scheme maps as below:





Priority Vegetation Overlay

THE COMMON SEAL of the City of Launceston was hereunto affixed in the presences of: -

Michael Stretton Chief Executive Officer

Date

Instrument 5 - Priority Vegetation

**DECISION**: 6 April 2023

**MOTION 1** 

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

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

**CARRIED 11:1** 

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

**DECISION**: 6 April 2023

**MOTION 2** 

Moved Councillor A G Harris, seconded Councillor D H McKenzie.

That Councillor Dr G Razay be granted an additional three minutes speaking time.

CARRIED 12:0

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

The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, announced that Council no longer sits as a Planning Authority.

#### 10. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR

#### 10.1. Mayor's Announcements

**FILE NO: SF2375** 

#### Monday 20 March 2023

Attended a briefing at the Launceston Airport

#### Friday 24 March 2023

- Officiated at the Launceston Community Harmony Day Event at the Haig Community Space
- Presented the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery Arts Foundation Medallion at Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery
- Spoke at the Buckby SKODA Rally Launceston Rally Show in The Avenue (represented by Deputy Mayor, Councillor M K Garwood)
- Attended the Northern Tasmanian Football Association's 2023 season launch at the University of Tasmania Stadium (represented by Deputy Mayor, Councillor M K Garwood)

#### Sunday 26 March 2023

- Attended the 2023 ParaQuad Tasmania Boccia State Titles at the Elphin Sports Centre
- Presented a podium finish trophy for the Bucky SKODA Rally Launceston (represented by Deputy Mayor, Councillor M K Garwood)

#### **Tuesday 28 March 2023**

- Attended the Tourism Industry Council Tasmania Northern Outlook
- Officiated at the dAda mUse Surrealist Art Museum opening in Cimitiere Street

#### Thursday 30 March 2023

 Presented the opening address at 2023 Tasmanian Suicide Prevention Forum (represented by Councillor A E Dawkins)

#### Friday 31 March 2023

- Attended the Pay It Forward Official 2023 launch at Mish
- Attended Cricket North's presentation dinner at the University of Tasmania Stadium (represented by Councillor D H McKenzie)
- Opened the Launceston Ukulele Jamboree Concert at Pilgrim Church (represented by Deputy Mayor, Councillor M K Garwood)

#### Saturday 1 April 2023

• Enjoyed popup events around the City provided by the Launceston Ukulele Jamboree

#### Sunday 2 April 2023

 Attended the book launch for H J King: cameras & carburettors at the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery

#### Tuesday 4 April 2023

- Conducted a Citizenship Ceremony at Tramsheds
- Provided a welcome to Launceston for the official opening of Indie School Launceston

#### Wednesday 5 April 2023

- Attended the Northern Tasmanian Development Corporation Members Representative meeting
- Attended Earl Cinq A Sept with special guest: Dr Jane Woollard at the Earl Art Centre

#### 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 Deputy Mayor, Councillor M K Garwood

- Opened the well attended and engaging Ukulele Jamboree
- Attended and spoke at the St Patricks River Valley Day, which is a celebration of the history of the district

#### 11.2 Councillor D H McKenzie

 Launceston Airport celebrated its millionth passenger into Launceston for the financial year and March numbers for travel show that we are at 97% of pre-COVID travellers

#### 11.3 Councillor A E Dawkins

 Attended and spoke at the Suicide Prevention Forum for the 2023 Life Awards

#### 12. QUESTIONS BY COUNCILLORS

#### 12.1. Councillors' Questions on Notice

Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 - Regulation 30

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

#### 12.1.1. Councillors' Questions on Notice - Councillor S Cai - Vandalism Issues

**FILE NO: SF6381** 

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

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** Michael Stretton

#### QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES:

The following question, asked at the Council Meeting on 23 March 2023 by Councillor S Cai, has been answered by Dan Ryan (General Manager Community and Place Network).

#### Questions:

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

#### Response:

The City of Launceston works closely with its community to proactively address safety in the City, including through active participation in the Launceston Safer Community Partnership. Established in 2013, the focus of this inter-organisational partnership is to raise and address community safety concerns through a collaborative and informed approach. These concerns are wide ranging and include issues such as vandalism, road safety and urban safety.

Tasmania Police are one of multiple agencies represented on this partnership and City of Launceston has a strong, long-term relationship with this organisation. If notified of any unlawful activity, such as unauthorised access to CBD rooftops, the Council engages with Tasmania Police and offers its full support in any subsequent investigation. This support can include access to CCTV footage that is captured and managed by the City of Launceston.

Where possible, the Council applies a preventative approach to managing the vandalism of the Council's owned infrastructure and facilities with vandalism risk being a consideration during design stages.

It is also worth noting that the Council's approach to managing graffiti vandalism is outlined on the Council's website at <a href="www.launceston.tas.gov.au/community/graffiti">www.launceston.tas.gov.au/community/graffiti</a>.

#### 12.2. Councillors' Questions Without Notice

Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 - Regulation 29

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

- 12.2.1. Councillors' Questions on Notice Councillor A G Harris Bicycle Parking and Storage for Football Games at University of Tasmania Stadium 6 April 2023
- 1. [With regard to bicycle parking at University of Tasmania Stadium]....Is it possible to see where there is bicycle parking at UTAS Stadium and be advised whether, in fact, the Precinct has any bike storage facilities?

This question was Taken on Notice and a response will be provided in the Council Agenda of 20 April 2023.

- 12.2.2. Councillors' Questions on Notice Councillor S Cai Community Bake Days 6 April 2023
- 1. At Legacy Park in Hobart the council operates two wood-fired ovens and every second Sunday they host free community bake days. I was wondering whether Launceston City Council has ever considered anything like this?

The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, advised that this question would be Taken on Notice and a response provided in the Council Agenda of 20 April 2023.

#### 13. COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### 13.1. Homelessness Advisory Committee - 23 January 2023

**FILE NO: SF7447** 

**AUTHOR:** Nindarra Wheatley (Community Development Officer Inclusion)

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

#### **DECISION STATEMENT:**

To receive a report from the City of Launceston Homelessness Advisory Committee.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council receives the report from the City of Launceston Homelessness Advisory Committee Meeting held on 23 January 2023.

**DECISION**: 6 April 2023

#### **MOTION**

Moved Councillor T G Walker, seconded Councillor Dr G Razay.

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

**CARRIED 12:0** 

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

#### 13.2. Heritage Advisory Committee - 15 February 2023 and 15 March 2023

**FILE NO**: SF2965

**AUTHOR:** Michelle Ogulin (Team Leader Environmental Health)

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

#### **DECISION STATEMENT:**

To receive the Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting report for meetings held on 15 February and 15 March 2023.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council receives the Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting report for Meetings held on 15 February and 15 March 2023.

Councillor A E Dawkins withdrew from the Meeting at 3:32 pm Councillor A E Dawkins re-attended the Meeting at 3:34 pm

**DECISION:** 6 April 2023

**MOTION** 

Moved Councillor S Cai, seconded Councillor L M McMahon.

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

CARRIED 12:0

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

#### 14. CREATIVE ARTS AND CULTURAL SERVICES NETWORK

#### 14.1. Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery Report - October to December 2022

**FILE NO: SF5784** 

**GENERAL MANAGER:** Shane Fitzgerald (Creative Arts and Cultural Services Network)

#### **DECISION STATEMENT:**

To receive the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery October to December 2022 Quarterly report.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council receives the Queen Victoria Museum and Arts Gallery's quarterly report for the period October to December 2022 (ECM Doc Set ID 4869145).

**DECISION**: 6 April 2023

#### **MOTION**

Moved Councillor D H McKenzie, seconded Councillor T G Walker.

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

**CARRIED 12:0** 

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

#### 15. COMMUNITY AND PLACE NETWORK

### 15.1. Homelessness Advisory Committee - Appointment of Community Representative

**FILE NO: SF7447** 

**AUTHOR:** Linda Page (Team Leader Community Development)

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

#### **DECISION STATEMENT:**

To consider the appointment of a Community Representative to the Homelessness Advisory Committee.

#### **RELEVANT LEGISLATION:**

Local Government Act 1993 (Tas)

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council appoints Oliver MacDonald Garden as a Community Representative on the Homelessness Advisory Committee until 28 July 2024.

#### Councillor A G Harris retired from the Meeting at 3:45 pm

**DECISION**: 6 April 2023

**MOTION** 

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

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

CARRIED 11:0

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

#### 16. INFRASTRUCTURE AND ASSETS NETWORK

#### 16.1. Petition Response - Youngtown Regional Park

**FILE NO: SF0097SF0920** 

**AUTHOR:** Kathryn Pugh (Manager Parks and Sustainability)

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

#### **DECISION STATEMENT:**

To consider the Petition received on 23 February 2023.

#### **RELEVANT LEGISLATION:**

Local Government Act 1993 (Tas)

#### PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Council - 23 February 2023 - Agenda Item Number - 9.1 - Petition - George Manifold - Installation of Public Toilets at Youngtown

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council:

- 1. maintains the current level of service provided at the Alma Street Park.
- 2. reviews the level of service, in particular the provision of public toilets for District Parks, as part of the Open Space Strategy Review being undertaken across 2023 and 2024.

**DECISION**: 6 April 2023

#### **MOTION**

Moved Councillor D H McKenzie, seconded Councillor A J Palmer.

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

CARRIED 11:0

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

#### 17. MEETING CLOSURE

The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, closed the Meeting at 3.51pm.

#### 18. NEXT COUNCIL MEETING DATE

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held at 1.00pm on 20 April 2023 at the Council Chambers, Town Hall, 18-28 St John Street, Launceston.