



Brighton Council

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE BRIGHTON COUNCIL HELD
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL OFFICES
OLD BEACH AT 5.30 P.M. ON TUESDAY,
16th OCTOBER 2018**

PRESENT: Cr Foster (Mayor); Cr Curran (Deputy Mayor); Cr Garlick; Cr Geard; Cr Gray; Cr Higgins; Cr Jeffries, Cr Owen and Cr Williams.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr R Sanderson (General Manager); Mr G Davoren (Deputy General Manager); Mr H Macpherson (Municipal Engineer); Mrs J Banks (Governance Manager) and Mr J Dryburgh (Chief Operations Officer).

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

1.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF 18TH SEPTEMBER 2018.

Cr Curran moved, Cr Geard seconded that the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 18th September 2018 be confirmed.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	
Cr Foster	
Cr Garlick	
Cr Geard	
Cr Gray	
Cr Higgins	
Cr Jeffries	
Cr Owen	
Cr Williams	

2. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

All members were present.

3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME AND DEPUTATIONS:

- Elaine Scott addressed Council in relation to rubbish on pathways.
- Mike Purdon addressed Council in relation to the Vintage & Veterans Car Club new building in Tea Tree Road, Brighton.

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

In accordance with Part 5, Section 48 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the Chairman of a meeting is to request Councillors to indicate whether they have, or are likely to have an interest in any item on the agenda; and

Part 2 Regulation 8 (7) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, the Chairman of a meeting is to request Councillors to indicate whether they have, or are likely to have, a pecuniary interest in any item on the agenda.

Accordingly, Councillors are requested to advise of any interest they may have in respect to any matter appearing on the agenda, or any supplementary item to the agenda, which the Council has resolved to deal with, in accordance with Part 2 Regulation 8 (6) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*.

There were no declarations of interest.

5. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS:

5.1 MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS:

AUTHOR: Mayor
(Cr T Foster)

The Mayor's communications were as follows: -

- Sep 24 Along with senior staff Heath Macpherson and James Dryburgh I met with Lyons Federal member Brian Mitchell and Federal Shadow minister for sport the Hon Don Farrell at the Pontville Recreation Centre to discuss and lobby for the new Sporting Complex that has been on our Infrastructure agenda for about three years.
- Sep 27 Along with General Manager Ron Sanderson and Deputy Mayor Barbara Curran I attended a Special Meeting of Taswater owner reps in Launceston to discuss the MOU that had been unanimously endorsed by Brighton Council.
- Sep 28 Meetings held today at the request of those listed.....

John Kennedy of Tasbulk
 Tyler Clark re a Planning issue .
 Rod Curtain. Re a Planning issue with Anglican Church
 property.

- Oct 05 Meeting with General Manager Ron Sanderson and Council’s consultants to discuss marketing proposals for Council Wise.
- Oct 09 Meeting with Acting General Manager Greg Davoren.
- Oct 10 Taswater Board Selection Committee meeting at Campbell Town to discuss shortlisting of Candidates for position of Chairman of the Board of Taswater.
- Oct 16 Citizenship ceremony.
- Oct 16 OCM.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Mayor’s communications be received.

DECISION:

Cr Owen moved, Cr Jeffries seconded that the report be received.

CARRIED

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5.2 REPORTS FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS:

DECISION:

Cr Williams advised that she recently presented awards to the Bridgewater Junior Judo awards at PCYC.

5.3 CORRESPONDENCE FROM SOUTHERN TASMANIAN COUNCILS ASSOCIATION (STCA), LGAT, TASWATER AND JOINT AUTHORITIES:

Correspondence and reports from the STCA, LGAT, TasWater and Joint Authorities.

If any Councillor wishes to view documents received contact should either be made with the Governance Manager or General Manager.

6. NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL WORKSHOPS:

In accordance with the requirements of Section 8(2)(c) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, it was reported that there were no workshops held since the last Council Meeting.

7. NOTICE OF MOTION:

There were no notices of motion.

8. CONSIDERATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS TO THE AGENDA:

In accordance with the requirements of Part 2 Regulation 8(6) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, the Council, by absolute majority may approve the consideration of a matter not appearing on the agenda, where the General Manager has reported:

- (a) the reason it was not possible to include the matter on the agenda, and
- (b) that the matter is urgent, and
- (c) that advice has been provided under Section 65 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Council resolve by absolute majority to deal with any supplementary items not appearing on the agenda, as reported by the General Manager in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

DECISION:

The General Manager advised that there were no supplementary agenda items

9. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES:

There were no Committee meetings held in October.

10. COUNCIL ACTING AS PLANNING AUTHORITY:

In accordance with the provisions of Part 2 Regulation 25 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, the intention of the Council to act as a Planning Authority pursuant to the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* is to be noted. In accordance with Regulation 25, the Council will act as a planning authority in respect to those matters appearing under Item 10 on this agenda, inclusive of any supplementary items.

There were no planning reports listed on this Agenda.

11. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS:

11.1 BRIGHTON GIRL GUIDES SHIPPING CONTAINER OWNERSHIP TRANSFER:

AUTHOR: Council Services Officer
(Ms Cathy Harper)

Background:

Council has received a request from two organisations to have ownership of the Girl Guides shipping container transferred to them. The container was purchased by Brighton Girl Guides through funds granted under Council's Community Grants program several years ago.

The Brighton Girl Guides have folded this year and they decided they wanted their assets to remain in the community for use by young people of this community. In early August Old Beach Scouts were looking for a container for more storage for their equipment. They had conversation with Guides who suggested they contact Council to see if it would be alright for them to have the Guides container as they would no longer be requiring it. Subsequently Dave Coulson contacted Council to see about getting the container moved to Old Beach. He was advised to have discussion with Planning to ensure any permit requirements were met.

In late September Brighton Junior Football Club contacted Council to find out about the possibility of placing another container at the Pontville Sports Complex. They were advised again to speak with Planning around permit requirements, and a suggestion made that possibly the placement of their new container could go where the Girl Guides container currently is sited.

Since that time there have been discussion other members of Council and the Brighton Junior Football Club to give what they thought was a Council owned container to the Junior Football Club, who would no doubt be unaware that Old Beach Scouts were already expecting to have the container.

Consultation:

Janine Banks (Manager Governance and Human Resources), Ron Sanderson (General Manager), Heath Macpherson (Municipal Engineer), Cathy Harper (Council Services Officer), Dave Coulon (Old Beach Scouts Group) and Wayne Lamb (Brighton Junior Football Club).

Risk Implications:

Nil.

Financial Implications:

Nil.

Assessment:

Old Beach Scouts group are more similar in activity they provide to young people of the community to that of the Girl Guides and were offered the container initially. Scouts have less fundraising capacity to purchase a container than the junior football club.

The Girl Guides are happy for the container to go to any group that supports and provides activity to the young people of the community.

Options:

1. As per the recommendation.
2. Council nominate another recipient to have the container.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council approve the container being donated to the Old Beach Scouts group.

DECISION:

Cr Owen moved, Cr Jeffries seconded that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	
Cr Foster	
Cr Garlick	
Cr Geard	
Cr Gray	
Cr Higgins	

Cr Jeffries
Cr Owen
Cr Williams

11.2 REQUEST FOR DONATION – FAMILY VIOLENCE CONSULTATIVE GROUP – SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT SERVICE (SASS) PROJECT:

AUTHOR: Governance Manager
(Mrs J Banks)

Background:

Councillors will recall that Cr Owen addressed Council at the September Ordinary Council meeting regarding this request.

The SASS project involves the printing of A3 size posters with messages to raise awareness about sexual consent, abuse and harassment, designed in consultation with Laurel House.

Participating Councils will be asked to install these posters in Council owned building and public toilets.

Consultation:

Cr M Knowles (Northern Midlands Council); General Manager; Cr Owen; Governance Manager.

Risk Implications:

Nil.

Financial Implications:

The donations budget for 2018/19 is currently over-expended.

Assessment:

Cr Knowles states that 75 women in Australia are killed every year by a current or former partner; more than one a week. One in three women and one in five men have been victims of physical or sexual violence from someone known to them. One in four young people are prepared to excuse violence from a partner. This must stop, it is important that councils play a more active part in the prevention and awareness raising of these issues, particularly to our young people, the partners and parents of the future.

Options:

1. As per the recommendation.
 2. That Council not donate any money to this project.
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RECOMMENDATION:

That Council donate \$250 from the Grants & Donations budget to the Family Violence Consultative Group for the SASS project, and that Council displays the A3 posters in Council buildings and public toilets as appropriate.

DECISION:

Cr Owen moved, Cr Williams seconded that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	
Cr Foster	
Cr Garlick	
Cr Geard	
Cr Gray	
Cr Higgins	
Cr Jeffries	
Cr Owen	
Cr Williams	

11.3 PONTVILLE PARK PRACTICE NETS:

AUTHOR: Municipal Engineer
(Mr H Macpherson)

Background:

At the April 2018 Council Meeting, Council adopted a motion to support the Brighton Eagles Cricket Club application into the Cricket Tasmania Premier League. Cricket Tasmania supported the application and the Brighton District Cricket Club has been formed and will play its first game this month.

As part of the report to Council it was highlighted that Council would need to provide turf practise nets at an estimated cost of \$120,000 which could be offset with grant funding. Council has been successful in obtaining \$15,000 from Cricket Tasmania but was unsuccessful with the Levelling the Playing Field grant. There may be other grant opportunities but timing for the placement of the clay for the wickets is becoming critical.

Consultation:

Municipal Engineer, General Manager, Deputy General Manager, Works Manager, Cricket Tasmania Staff

Risk Implications:

If Council do not fund and place the clay for the turf wickets in the following 2 months, then the wickets won't be ready for use for the 2019-20 cricket season.

Financial Implications:

The initial estimate was \$60,000 for the wickets and \$60,000 for the netting. At this stage the only critical timing is on the wickets and the netting could be done in next year’s budget.

There is also the possibility of applying for grants for the netting.

Ongoing maintenance of the practise wickets will likely add \$15,000-\$20,000 to the annual maintenance contract that is currently with the City of Hobart.

Other Issues:

This year they are using the old centre wickets to train on, but this is not ideal. This arrangement could also be carried out for the 2019-20 season, but not having adequate facilities for the club could result in them struggling to recruit or retain players. Also, not having nets to train in, makes it difficult for players to improve and be competitive as they hope to progress through the levels into Division 1.

Assessment:

Council when supporting the Brighton District Cricket Club accepted that they would have to fund the practise nets in the future. For the future of the club it is critical that Council does everything they can to support the club. Pontville Park is a great sporting complex and turf practise nets will increase its value to sporting clubs.

Options:

1. As per the recommendation.
 2. Do not approve funding for the clay wickets.
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RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approve staff to source funding from the existing budget to fund the placement of the clay for the practise nets.

DECISION:

Cr Geard moved, Cr Jeffries seconded that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	Cr Higgins
Cr Foster	Cr Owen
Cr Garlick	
Cr Geard	
Cr Gray	
Cr Jeffries	
Cr Williams	

11.4 YOUTH MOVING FORWARD RECOMMENDATIONS:

AUTHOR: General Manager
(Mr R Sanderson)

Background:

A report from a Youth Moving Forward Forum was tabled at Council's September meeting. Council resolved:

That Council notes the report from Brighton Neighbourhood Leadership Group and accepts the three key recommendations coming from the forum and agrees to work with stakeholders to advise, assist and implement any plans that all agree to.

Key recommendations of the forum were:

- *Brighton Council to act as a facilitator for any grants that are being sought for any facilities, initiatives and programs.*
- *Implement/establish a Youth Advisory Group to assist Council and service providers in identifying the issues of the youth within our municipality.*
- *That the community look to facilitate a youth hub/space*

Council should facilitate a youth hub space in existing facilities (central in our community and operated and supervised by suitably qualified service providers – with the aim of getting a quick win and utilising data as a catalyst to future facility grants being accessed.

Cathy Harper, Council Services Officer, contacted Elaine Scott from the Leadership Group to determine the groups' progress and expectations from Council.

Consultation:

Governance Manager; Elaine Scott and Council Services Officer

Risk Implications:

None

Financial Implications:

None identified

Other Issues:

Council will need to work closely with the Brighton Neighbourhood Leadership Group

Assessment:

The Groups has advised the following:

- They will continue to meet on a fortnightly basis
- They are going to take "baby steps" in progressing the youth support/issues recommendations from the forum
- They want to survey a broad range of youth from across the different local areas using council's current licence of Survey Monkey with questions such as

- What is missing in the area?
- What should a youth hub look like?
- Preferred location of a youth hub?
- They will endeavour to gauge interest from youth in forming and participating in a youth council/advisory group
- They are not ready to establish a hub in any space

Another issue that has arisen is the amount of coverage and assistance provided by NGOs in this area. There is some concern that quotas from government funded programs are being filled in the south of the state without including people from here. This matter will be followed up by council in consultation with service providers.

Options:

1. As per the recommendation
2. Do nothing

RECOMMENDATION:

That the report be noted and staff work closely with the Brighton Neighbourhood Leadership Group to implement the forum recommendations as appropriate.

DECISION:

Cr Gray moved, Cr Curran seconded that the recommendation be adopted. **CARRIED**

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	
Cr Foster	
Cr Garlick	
Cr Geard	
Cr Gray	
Cr Higgins	
Cr Jeffries	
Cr Owen	
Cr Williams	

Cr Garlick moved, Cr Jeffries seconded that Council resolve in to Closed Council. **CARRIED**

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	
Cr Foster	
Cr Garlick	
Cr Geard	
Cr Gray	

Cr Higgins
Cr Jeffries
Cr Owen
Cr Williams

12. CLOSED MEETING:

Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 provides that Council may consider certain sensitive matters in Closed Meeting.

The following matters are listed in the Closed Meeting section of the Council Agenda in accordance with Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

This matter is to be considered in a Closed Meeting of Council by authority of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, Section 15(2)(f)

12.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE CLOSED PORTION OF ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF 18TH SEPTEMBER 2018:

Cr Gray moved, Cr Curran seconded that the closed portion of the Ordinary Council meeting of 18th September 2018, be confirmed.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	
Cr Foster	
Cr Garlick	
Cr Geard	
Cr Gray	
Cr Higgins	
Cr Jeffries	
Cr Owen	
Cr Williams	

Cr Garlick moved, Cr Jeffries seconded that Council resolve out of Closed Council and the decision made while in Closed Council be ratified.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	
Cr Foster	
Cr Garlick	

Cr Geard
Cr Gray
Cr Higgins
Cr Jeffries
Cr Owen
Cr Williams

13. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE:

There were no questions on notice.

The meeting closed 6.10 pm.

Confirmed:

(Mayor)

Date:

20th November 2018