



**Brighton
Council**

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE BRIGHTON COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
COUNCIL OFFICES, 1 TIVOLI ROAD, OLD BEACH
AT 5.30 P.M. ON TUESDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER 2023**

1. Acknowledgement of Country

2. Attendance

Cr Gray (Mayor); Cr Curran (Deputy Mayor); Cr De La Torre, Cr Irons; Cr McMaster (5.40pm); Cr Murtagh (5.40pm); Cr Owen and Cr Whelan

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr J Dryburgh (General Manager); Ms J Banks (Director, Governance & Regulatory Services); Mrs J Blackwell (A/Director, Development Services); Mr C Pearce-Rasmussen (Director, Asset Services); Ms G Browne (Director, Corporate Services) and Mrs K Murphy (Community Development Officer).

3. Applications for Leave of Absence

Cr De La Torre moved, Cr Curran seconded that Cr Geard be granted leave of absence for the period 8-29 September 2023.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
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Cr Curran	
Cr De La Torre	
Cr Gray	
Cr Irons	
Cr Owen	
Cr Whelan	

4. Confirmation of Minutes

4.1 Ordinary Council Meeting

The Minutes of the previous Ordinary Council Meeting held on the 15th August 2023 are submitted for confirmation.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the previous Ordinary Council Meeting held on the 15th August 2023, be confirmed.

DECISION:

Cr Curran moved, Cr De La Torre seconded that the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on the 15th August 2023, be confirmed.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	
Cr De La Torre	
Cr Gray	
Cr Irons	
Cr Owen	
Cr Whelan	

4.2 Planning Authority

There was no Planning Authority meeting held in September.

4.3 Audit Panel Minutes

The Minutes of the Audit Panel meeting held on the 25th May 2023 are submitted for confirmation.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Audit Panel meeting held on the 25th May 2023, be confirmed.

DECISION:

Cr Owen moved, Cr Irons seconded that the minutes of the Audit Panel meeting held on the 25th May 2023, be confirmed.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	
Cr De La Torre	
Cr Gray	
Cr Irons	

Cr Owen
Cr Whelan

4.4 Committees of Council

The Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on the 5th September 2023 are submitted for confirmation.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on the 5th September 2023, be confirmed.

DECISION:

Cr Curran moved, Cr De La Torre seconded that the minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on the 5th September 2023, be confirmed.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	
Cr De La Torre	
Cr Gray	
Cr Irons	
Cr Owen	
Cr Whelan	

5. Declaration of Interest

In accordance with the requirements of Part 2 Regulation 8 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, the chairperson of a meeting is to request Councillors to indicate whether they have, or are likely to have, a pecuniary interest or conflict of interest in any item on the Agenda.

In accordance with Section 48(4) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, it is the responsibility of councillors to then notify the general manager, in writing, the details of any interest(s) that the councillor has declared within 7 days of the declaration.

Cr Irons declared an Interest in Item 12.1

6. Public Question Time and Deputations

In accordance with the requirements of Part 2 Regulation 8 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, the agenda is to make provision for public question time.

As there were no members in the gallery there was no requirement for public question time.

7. Reports from Council

7.1 Mayor's Communications

The Mayor's communications were as follows:

- 18/8 Vietnam Veterans Commemorative Service – Hobart Cenotaph (A/GM in attendance)
- 21/8 STCA Meeting (via Teams); Deputy Mayor and A/GM in attendance.
- 22/8 Meeting re Child Care centres in Brighton
- 23/8 Meeting with UTAS re regional study hubs
- 23/8 Meeting with Manager, Southern Steel
- 24/8 Official Opening of Bridgewater Parkland Stage 2
- 1/9 Meeting with resident regarding Tianari Drive
- 1/9 Meeting with Bridgewater Police (Acting GM in attendance)
- 1/9 Site Visit – Hobart Gymnastics Academy (Acting GM & senior staff in attendance)
- 1/9 Meeting with the Premier and Jane Howlett MP (Acting GM & senior staff in attendance)
- 1/9 Site Visit – Bridgewater Masterplan – A/GM in attendance
- 5/9 Finance Committee Meeting
- 5/9 Council Workshop
- 6-8/9 Climate Summit, Melbourne with General Manager
- 12/9 Meeting with Brighton Show Committee
- 19/9 LGAT GMC Meeting -Launceston
- 19/9 Council Meeting

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Mayor's communications be received.

DECISION:

Cr Whelan moved, Cr Curran seconded that the Mayor's communications be received.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
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Cr Curran	
Cr De La Torre	
Cr Gray	
Cr Irons	
Cr Owen	
Cr Whelan	

7.2 Reports from Council Representatives

- Cr Owen advised that he had attended the Sustainable Living information session at the Brighton Civic Centre.
- Cr Owen attended the Derwent Estuary Program’s AGM at Derwent Estate on 1 September.
- Cr Owen attended and helped at the BYAG BBQ breakfast on 7 September.
- Cr Irons attended the Greater Hobart Homelessness Alliance meeting on 7 September.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the verbal reports from Council representatives be received.

DECISION:

Cr Whelan moved, Cr De La Torre seconded that the verbal reports from Council representatives be received.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	
Cr De La Torre	
Cr Gray	
Cr Irons	
Cr Owen	
Cr Whelan	

8. Miscellaneous Correspondence

- Letter from Minister for Education, Children & Youth dated 21st August 2023 regarding sites for the new Youth Detention Centre.

9. Notification of Council Workshops

In accordance with the requirements of Section 8(2)(c) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

One (1) Council workshop had been held since the previous Ordinary Council meeting.

A workshop was held on the 5th September 2023 at 4.45pm to receive a presentation from the Brighton Youth Action Group on their various activities; a presentation from the Department of State Growth regarding AFL High Performance Centre and Bridgewater Bridge Project; and to review the Major Impact Grant submissions.

Crs Gray, Curran, De La Torre, Geard, Irons (via Teams), McMaster, Murtagh and Owen were in attendance.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

DECISION:

Cr De La Torre moved, Cr Irons seconded that the information be received.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	
Cr De La Torre	
Cr Gray	
Cr Irons	
Cr Owen	
Cr Whelan	

10. Notices of Motion

There were no Notices of Motion.

11. 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*.

The General Manager advised that there were no supplementary agenda items.

12. Council Acting as a Planning Authority

Under the provisions of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* and in accordance with Regulation 25 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, the Council will act as a planning authority in respect to those matters appearing under Item 12 on this agenda, inclusive of any supplementary items.

Cr Irons had declared an interest and left the meeting at 5.40pm

Cr Murtagh and Cr McMaster joined the meeting at 5.40pm

12.1 Major Project Proposal - Eligibility Assessment - Kangaroo Bay

Author: Strategic Planner (B White)

Authorised: Director Development Services (D Allingham)

Purpose

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a request from the Minister for Planning, the Honourable Michael Ferguson MP ('the Minister'), as to whether it considers that he ought not to be of the opinion that the proposal for the Kangaroo Bay Hotel be declared a major project under Section 60C of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* ('LUPAA').

The Project

The Project is for a 4.5-star hotel comprising 155 rooms, events and community spaces, restaurant, bar, and theatre style meeting spaces, located at Kangaroo Bay in the Clarence Municipality.

The proponent submits that the Project meets the eligibility criteria for a major project under section 60M of LUPAA and that it should therefore be declared as such.

Major Projects under LUPAA

The *Land Use Planning and Approvals Amendment (Major Projects) Bill 2020* received royal assent on 13 October 2020. This new Major Projects approval process replaced the existing 'Projects of Regional Significance (PORS)' within LUPAA.

The Major Project Approval process was introduced into LUPAA as a way of assessing development proposals of significant impact, scale, or complexity. This includes proposals that cross municipalities or require many different permits.

Since coming effect, two projects have been declared Major Projects under LUPAA:

- New Bridgewater Bridge; and
- North East Wind.

Once the Minister receives a request that a project be declared a Major Project such as that for Kangaroo Bay Hotel, they must be satisfied that it meets the 'Eligibility Criteria' ('the Criteria') for a Major Project under section 60M of LUPAA which is provided below:

60M. When project is eligible to be declared to be major project

(1) Subject to section 60N, a project is eligible to be declared to be a major project under section 60O if, in the opinion of the Minister, the project has 2 or more of the following attributes:

(a) the project will have a significant impact on, or make a significant contribution to, a region's economy, environment or social fabric;

(b) the project is of strategic importance to a region;

(c) the project is of significant scale and complexity.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)(c), in determining whether the project is of significant scale and complexity, the Minister is to consider –

(a) the following matters:

(i) the number of municipal areas that will be affected by the project or that contain land on which all or part of the project may be situated;

(ii) whether 2 or more project-related permits would be required to be obtained in order for the project to proceed;

(iii) the technical requirements of the project; and

(b) whether the activities that are proposed to be carried out on the land after the construction phase of the project is completed are of interest to, or for the benefit of, a wider sector of the public than resides in the municipal area, or municipal areas, in which the project is to be situated.

(3) The Minister may not form an opinion in relation to a project under subsection (1) until he or she has considered the advice, if any, provided under section 60I(3) in relation to the project.

(4) A project that is to be situated on an area of land may be declared to be a major project even though a use or development that is proposed to form part of the project is prohibited under a relevant planning scheme.

In determining whether the proposal satisfies the Criteria, section 60I(1)(e) of LUPAA requires the Minister to notify the proposal for a declaration to other "Council's for a municipal area that is in the regional area, or regional areas, in which the project is to be situated". Brighton Council is in the southern region so is required to be notified.

Section 60I(3) of LUPPA requires that the Council, within 28 days, by notice in writing to the Minister, advise the Minister as to:

- a) whether the council or relevant State entity considers that the Minister ought not to be of the opinion that the project is eligible to be declared to be a major project; and

b) *the reasons why the council or relevant State entity is of that opinion.*

This report recommends that the Council should advise the Minister that the project appears to fall short of the regulatory threshold for when a project ought to be declared a major project under the Act.

There appears to be nothing overly complex in assessing a future development application for the project under the current planning instrument.

The proponent has also failed to clearly articulate how the overall economic benefits to the region would be 'significant' beyond that which would be expected of a large commercial development.

Assessment

Council Officers consider that this application for a major project declaration falls short of the eligibility criteria for a major project under the Act. It is recommended that Council write to the Minister of Planning, as per Attachment A, to advise that it is Council's opinion that he ought not to declare the Kangaroo Bay proposal a major project.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

- A. Resolves that, pursuant to section 60l(3)(a) of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, it is of the view that the Minister of Planning ought not declare the Kangaroo Bay proposal a major project for the reasons outlined in this report and in correspondence in Attachment A.
- B. Direct Council Officers to send the Minister of Planning relevant correspondence regarding this opinion as required pursuant to section 60l(3)(b) of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*.

DECISION:

Cr De La Torre moved, Cr Owen seconded that Council:

- A. *Resolves that, pursuant to section 60l(3)(a) of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993, it is of the view that the Minister of Planning ought not declare the Kangaroo Bay proposal a major project for the reasons outlined in this report and in correspondence in Attachment A.*
- B. *Direct Council Officers to send the Minister of Planning relevant correspondence regarding this opinion as required pursuant to section 60l(3)(b) of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993.*

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	
Cr De La Torre	
Cr Gray	
Cr Owen	
Cr Whelan	



ATTACHMENT
AGENDA ITEM **12.1**

Officer: Brian White
Direct ☎ (03) 6268 7070

Date: 19/09/2023

The Honourable Michael Ferguson MP
Minister of Planning
Level 5, 4 Salamanca Place
HOBART, TAS, 7000

Dear Minister,

RE: KANGAROO BAY MAJOR PROJECT - ELIGIBILITY FOR MAJOR PROJECT DECLARATION

Council has considered your request as to whether the Kangaroo Bay Hotel Project ('the Project') ought to be declared a major project at its Ordinary Council Meeting ('OCM') on 19th September 2023.

Council resolved at the OCM that, pursuant to section 60I(3)(a) of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 ('LUPAA'), that the Project *ought not be* declared a major project for the reasons outlined in this letter, and in the Officer's report to Council (s. 60I(3)(b)).

Whilst the reasons are not intended to be exhaustive, it is Council's view that the project falls short of the threshold for declaration under LUPAA, so should be submitted and determined under the normal assessment process, which includes appeal opportunities for the proponent and interested parties.

Reasons the Project Ought not Declared a Major Project

"Significant impact on, or make a significant contribution to, a region's economy".

The Brighton Council ('Council') agrees that the Project would likely assist in filling demand for high end accommodation and dining options in the Clarence Municipality. The project would also begin the process of implementing the Kangaroo Bay Enhancement Project. This would provide likely provide benefits to the Clarence community.

However, it is considered that the proponent's key argument that the Project will have a "significant impact on, or make a significant contribution to, a region's economy" is overstated and not backed by economic analysis such as a cost benefit analysis or an economic impact study showing the benefit to the region.



The economic test for eligibility for a major project under LUPAA was legislated by the Parliament to be rigorous and which requires proponents to clearly articulate how the benefits will be 'significant' for a region.

It is Council's view that the project has not demonstrated that it will have a significant impact on, or make a significant contribution to, a region's economy.

There also appears to be nothing overly complex in assessing a future development application for the project under the current planning instrument. The proponent's opinion that the project is complex due to ongoing dispute with Clarence Council regarding the subject site is not a relevant matter under section 60M(2) of the Act for the Minister to consider in determining whether to declare the Project a major project.

If you have any queries about this submission, please contact Brian White on (03) 6268 7070 between 8:15 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. Monday to Friday or by email at brian.white@brighton.tas.gov.au.

Yours faithfully,

James Dryburgh
General Manager

Cr Irons rejoined the meeting 5.48pm

13. Officers Reports

13.1 Naming Roads & Streets - Tivoli Green - Stages 10 & 11

Author: Development Services Officer (K Clifton)

Authorised: Director Development Services (D Allingham)

Background

The purpose of this report is to seek endorsement for the naming of new roads in the 'Tivoli Green' subdivision in accordance with the *Place Names Act 2020*. The names have been supplied by the developer for consideration.

In 2020, the *Place Names Act 2020* (the Act) was introduced to provide for contemporary Governance arrangements for the place naming process and clarity in the responsibility for the naming of roads and streets.

Under the Act, local councils are the naming authority for roads and streets.

The *Tasmanian Place Naming Guidelines* (the Guidelines) are provided for under the Act and are to be used by all naming authorities to assist in the selection of a conforming name, as well as providing the public and community with the principals that apply to the selection of a name.

Section 7.11 of the Guidelines states: "Road and street name proposals should be endorsed by the elected council members".

The developer has chosen to take as their inspiration species of birds that have been spotted in the Brighton Municipal area, giving them future scope for the remaining stages of their development whilst maintaining an association with the surrounding area.

The proposed road names for Tivoli Green Stages 10 & 11 are listed below:

- Shelduck Drive
- Wattlebird Way

Consultation

No consultation has been undertaken as the proposal is to name new roads that do not currently have any landowners other than the developer.

Risk Implications

There is a risk that the proposed road names do not conform with the Guidelines and that the proposed names will be referred back to Council. Council staff have considered the Guidelines and confirm that the proposed road names meet the requirements.

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Plan

1.4 Encourages a sense of pride and engaging in local activities.

3.3 Community facilities are safe and meet contemporary needs.

Social Implications

Nil

Environmental or Climate Change Implications

Nil

Economic Implications

Nil

Other Issues

Nil

Assessment

By naming these new roads, Council is providing a safe and accessible environment for the community in keeping with its vision and core values. Likewise, by choosing names that reflect local bird sightings, the Developer, working together with Council, hopes to encourage a sense of pride in the local community and celebrate the abundance of fauna so readily accessible within the Brighton Municipality.

The proposed road names meet the requirements of the Guidelines and should be endorsed.

Options

1. As per the recommendation.
2. Endorse the road names with amendments.
3. Other.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that Council endorse the road names for Tivoli Green, Old Beach Stages 10 & 11.

DECISION:

Cr De La Torre moved, Cr Whelan seconded that the road names for Tivoli Green, Old Beach Stages 10 & 11 be endorsed.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	
Cr De La Torre	
Cr Gray	
Cr Irons	
Cr McMaster	
Cr Murtagh	
Cr Owen	
Cr Whelan	

ATTACHMENT
AGENDA ITEM 13.1

**Tivoli Green Stages 10 & 11
Proposed Street Names**



13.2 Major Impact Grant submissions

Author: Manager, Community Development & Engagement (A Turvey)

Authorised: General Manager (J Dryburgh)

Background

Our Major Impact Grant is a new grant category that aims to address significant safety, sustainability, loneliness or other service gaps across our municipality. The amount for this grant category ranges from \$30,000 to \$80,000 and starts with an informal conversation between potential stakeholders and Brighton Council, followed by a grant application. This grant was made available for this first time this financial year and has flexibility around when funds are distributed and when the proposed program(s) would take place. Given the aim of this grant, preference will be given to applications looking to apply for the entire \$80,000 however this is not a pre-requisite, and all grants were considered.

A Council Workshop was held with elected members on Tuesday 5 September to review and assess the **three (3) submissions** that were received by the closing date on 25 August 2023.

The three (3) submissions were as follows:

- **Communities for Children** – Establishment of a Youth Worker for the Brighton Council area to work with young people aged 12-25 years.
- **Families Tasmania** – School holiday activities, including parenting workshops in collaboration with Jordan River Services Inc. and YourTown.
- **New Story** – Establishment of a drama group for 16 participants who have lived experience directly or indirectly of domestic violence to tell their stories.

Council's Manager Community Development and Engagement and Community Development Officer provided Councillors with a spreadsheet at this workshop that scored each of the applications according to the key criteria, target audience, clarity of project plan, level of collaboration with other local services or community groups and a demonstrated understanding of the Brighton Municipality and perhaps most importantly our community needs.

Eligible stakeholders for this grant were limited to not-for-profit organisations.

Eligible stakeholders needed to align their proposal with Council's overall grant aims as outlined in the Grants Guidelines and at least one of the eight focus areas of the Healthy Tasmania Strategic Plan 2022- 2026 which includes:

- Priority populations including people from lower socioeconomic groups, Aboriginal people, young people, people from the LGBTIQ+ community, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, and people living with disability.
- Health literacy

- Mental health and wellbeing
- Active living
- Eating Well
- Smoke free communities
- Reducing alcohol harm
- Climate change and health

Consultation

Councillors, Senior Management Team, Community Development Officer.

Risk Implications

As a major impact grant the recipient of the funding will need to evaluate and provide regular updates to Council on the effectiveness of the program within a relatively short period of time, given this is intended to be funded for within the financial year 2023/24.

The delivery of a successful project or program may risk raising community expectations that Council will continue to work with and fund the program ongoing. However, potential success of a project should not be considered a reason not to proceed but rather considered as a pilot project within the community, to understand and evaluate what works to best meet current needs within the community.

Financial Implications

Major Impact Grant funding budgeted at \$30K-\$80K.

Strategic Plan

Goal 1: Inspire a proud community that enjoys a comfortable life at every age.

Goal 4: Ensure a progressive, efficient and caring Council.

Social Implications

The major impact grant has the potential to make an incremental difference in a relatively short period of time for the Brighton Municipality and within our priority populations.

Based on the 2022 ABS data, the residential population of Brighton LGA is currently sitting at 19,687 people. We have one of the youngest populations in Tasmania, with almost 30% of our population being aged in the 10-29 year old age group compared to 24% for Tasmania overall.

As anecdotal evidence suggests, the current social and economic climate with ever increasing costs of living and issues around food security for even working households, provides a high level of insecurity and anxiety for families. It is hard to know if there is any direct correlation to the observed and experienced anti-social behaviour that appears to have increased in our area in recent times, but we can hypothesise that it may certainly be a contributing factor that cannot be ignored.

Brighton's Socio-Economic Index for Areas (SEIFA) sits at 885, sitting in the lowest quartile for LGAs across Australia, indicating relatively greater disadvantage within our population. SEIFA combines Census data such as income, education, employment, occupation, housing and family structure to summarise the socio-economic characteristics of an area. Each area receives a SEIFA score indicating how relatively advantaged or disadvantaged that area is compared with other areas.

Environmental or Climate Change Implications

Not Applicable.

Economic Implications

Unknown.

Other Issues

Currently unknown.

Assessment

After the assessment of all three grant submissions, it was agreed at the Council Workshop held on 5 September 2023 that the Communities for Children submission to provide a dedicated Youth Worker for our Brighton Council area, potentially best meets the grant criteria of 'major impact', delivering a much needed service for one of our priority and most vulnerable populations, where there is a clear service gap in our LGA, whilst working collaboratively with existing service providers and Council to find place based solutions to the needs of our young people aged 12-25 years.

Options

1. As per the recommendation.
2. Other.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council award the Major Impact Grant amount of \$80,000 to Communities for Children for their 'Community Youth Engagement Worker' program, with monthly progress reports to be provided to Council in line with an agreed evaluation approach, including key performance indicators for the 12 month period from the time of appointment of the Youth Engagement Worker.

DECISION:

Cr De La Torre moved, Cr Owen seconded that Council award the Major Impact Grant amount of \$80,000 to Communities for Children for their 'Community Youth Engagement Worker' program, with monthly progress reports to be provided to Council in line with an agreed evaluation approach, including key performance indicators for the 12 month period from the time of appointment of the Youth Engagement Worker.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
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Cr Curran	
Cr De La Torre	
Cr Gray	
Cr Irons	
Cr McMaster	
Cr Murtagh	
Cr Owen	
Cr Whelan	

13.3 Brighton Bowls Club - Rates Remission

Author: Director Corporate Services (G Browne)

Background

In 2018 the public toilets in Brighton were located in a standalone building at 209 Brighton Road, Brighton. The alterations to the Brighton Bowls and Community Club at this time resulted in an opportunity for Council to relocate these toilets into the Community Building and demolish the existing infrastructure on this site. The relocation of the toilets to the Brighton Bowls and Community Club building has resulted in Council reducing expenditure on depreciation and maintenance for this building. The Club has written into Council to ask for a contribution towards the additional electricity and TasWater charges that are associated with the toilet now being located in their building.

Consultation

Director Asset Services

Risk Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

That any contribution is expensed from Council's maintenance budget.

Strategic Plan

Goal 1 – Inspire a proud community that enjoys a comfortable life at every age.

Goal 3 – Manage infrastructure and growth effectively

Social Implications

Council has a social responsibility to support our community clubs, especially when that club is supporting Council by providing necessary infrastructure on their behalf.

Environmental or Climate Change Implications

Not Applicable.

Economic Implications

Nil

Other Issues

Nil

Assessment

Council has previously given a rates remission of \$2000 each year to the Brighton Bowls and Community Club.

The Brighton Bowls and Community Club would like an annual contribution to be paid to cover the additional costs that they are incurring each year, without having to request this annually. Additional costs that have been advised are an increase in power, water and insurance charges. Although the cleaning and any maintenance issues have been taken care of by Council since this facility has been available there is currently no written agreement in place that lists the requirements of each party.

Options

1. As per the recommendation.
2. That Council not contribute towards any additional charges that the Brighton Bowls and Community Club may incur in relation to the public toilets.
3. Approve a different contribution.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council contributes \$2,000 annually towards the running costs of the public toilets at the Brighton Bowls and Community Club. This amount will be funded from the maintenance budget. A written agreement will also be drawn up between Brighton Council and the Brighton Bowls and Community Club.

DECISION:

Cr Curran moved, Cr Murtagh seconded that Council contributes \$2,000 annually towards the running costs of the public toilets at the Brighton Bowls and Community Club. This amount will be funded from the maintenance budget. A written agreement will also be drawn up between Brighton Council and the Brighton Bowls and Community Club.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
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Cr Curran	
Cr De La Torre	
Cr Gray	
Cr Irons	
Cr McMaster	

Cr Murtagh
Cr Owen
Cr Whelan

ATTACHMENT
AGENDA ITEM 13.3

From: Brighton Bowls & Community Club <brightonbowlsclub@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, 11 August 2023 10:54 AM
To: Gray, Leigh (Mayor) <cr.gray@brighton.tas.gov.au>
Cc: Judy Hollaway
Subject: BRIGHTON BOWLS & COMMUNITY CLUB RATES

Good Morning Leigh

Our Club has received our rates notice for the coming year.

After lots of discussion with Council when we received our rates last year, the Club is of the understanding that we are to be given a remission for part of our rates every year to cover the costs of the Public toilets which are attached to the Building. The Club is paying for the water charges and electricity associated with these facilities.

There has been no remission in our rates for this coming year.

I have directed this query direct to you as you were aware of this last year when we queried as to why we were not given a remission to cover the costs of these facilities. As this is to cover costs of the toilets and not a request for assistance being a non profit organisation, we were of the opinion we would be given this remission ongoing each year without having to make a claim.

Can you please follow up and advise please.

Warm regards and thank you.

Elizabeth Downward
Secretary
Brighton Bowls & Community Club

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

14. Questions on Notice

There were no Questions on Notice for the September meeting.

Meeting closed: 6.00 pm

Confirmed: _____
(Mayor)

Date: 17 October 2023
