



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 5.30P.M. ON TUESDAY, 16 JULY 2024

PRESENT: Cr Gray; Cr Curran; Cr De La Torre; Cr Geard; Cr Irons; Cr McMaster; Cr Murtagh; Cr Owen and Cr Whelan

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr J Dryburgh (General Manager); Ms G Browne (Director Corporate Services); Mr C Pearce-Rasmussen (Director Asset Services); Mr D Allingham (Director Development Services) and Ms A Turvey (Manager, Community Development and Engagement)

1. Acknowledgement of Country

2. Apologies / Applications for leave of absence

All members were present.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

3.1 Ordinary Council Meeting

The Minutes of the previous Ordinary Council Meeting held on the 18th June 2024 are submitted for confirmation.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the previous Ordinary Council Meeting held on 18th June 2024, be confirmed.

DECISION:

Cr De La Torre moved, Cr Irons seconded that the Minutes of the previous Ordinary Council Meeting held on 18th June 2024, be confirmed.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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

3.2 Planning Authority Meeting

The Minutes of the Planning Authority Meeting held on the 2nd July 2024 are submitted for confirmation.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Planning Authority Meeting held on the 2nd July 2024, be confirmed.

DECISION:

Cr Geard moved, Cr Owen seconded that the Minutes of the Planning Authority Meeting held on 2nd July 2024, be confirmed.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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

3.3 Community Development Committee Meeting

The Minutes of the Community Development Committee Meeting held on the 2nd July 2024 are submitted for confirmation.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Community Development Committee Meeting held on the 2nd July 2024, be confirmed.

DECISION:

Cr De La Torre moved, Cr McMaster seconded that the Minutes of the Community Development Committee Meeting held on 2nd July 2024, be confirmed.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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

4. 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.

There were no declarations of interest.

5. 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.

There was no requirement for public question time.

6. Reports from Council**6.1 Mayor's Communications**

The Mayor's communications are as follows:

- 27/6 TasWater General Meeting
- 1-5/7 ALGA National General Assembly, Canberra
- 9/7 Meeting with Senator Wendy Askew (+ GM in attendance)
- 10/7 STCA STRLUS Steering Committee Meeting
- 11/7 Meeting with Minister Roger Jaensch (+ GM in attendance)
- 15/7 STCA Meeting
- 16/7 Council Meeting

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Mayor’s communications be received.

DECISION:

Cr Owen moved, Cr De La Torre seconded that the Mayor’s communications be received.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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

6.2 Reports from Council Representatives

- Cr Geard Brighton Bowls Christmas in July.
- Cr Curran opening of Greenbanks Distillery.
- Cr Irons joined waste tour of MRF and FOGO facility.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the verbal reports from Council representatives be received.

DECISION:

Cr Irons moved, Cr McMaster seconded that the verbal reports from Council representatives be received.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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

7. Miscellaneous Correspondence

- Letter, Decision and Draft Amendment from the Tasmanian Planning Commission dated 11 July 2024 in regard to Amendment RZ 2023-002 – 203 & 205 Old Beach Road, Old Beach.

8. 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 has been held since the previous Ordinary Council meeting.

A workshop was held on the 2nd July 2024 at 4.00 pm to discuss the following:-

- Presentation from Cricket Tasmania;
- Presentation regarding Climate Adaptation Plan;
- Presentation regarding response to Coastal Hazards;
- State of Play Report; and
- Sorell Street Masterplan.

Attendance: Cr Curran; De La Torre; Geard; Irons, McMaster, Owen & Whelan

Apologies: Cr Gray; Cr Murtagh

9. Notices of Motion

Nil.

10. 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.

11. Reports from Committees

11.1 Community Development Committee - 2 July 2024

The recommendations of the Community Development Committee held on 2nd July 2024 are submitted to Council for adoption.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the recommendations of the Community Development Committee held 2nd July 2024 be adopted.

DECISION:

Cr De La Torre moved, Cr McMaster seconded that the recommendations of the Community Development Committee held 2nd July 2024 be adopted.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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

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.

There were no Planning Authority items.

13. Officers Reports

13.1 Southcentral Workforce Network Regional Jobs Hub - Progress Report

Attachment: SWN Project Status Report (Dec 23-June 24)

Author: Janine Banks (Director, Governance & Regulatory Services)

Background

The Southcentral Workforce Network (SWN) Jobs Hub based at Pontville assists employers and job seekers in the Brighton, Central Highlands, Derwent Valley and Southern Midlands regions of Tasmania.

The Jobs Hub has proven to be an extremely valuable asset and resource for the community since it was established. SWN staff provide numerous services such as providing connections to local employers and jobs; offering training opportunities; network building; resume and interview assistance and more.

A Progress Report for the December 2023-June 2024 period is attached for Councillors information.

Consultation

Coordinator, SWN

Risk Implications

Nil.

Financial Implications

Nil.

Strategic Plan

S1.1: engage with and enable our community.

Social Implications

Supporting regional employment initiatives and providing a boost for local job creation and placement.

Environmental or Climate Change Implications

Nil.

Economic Implications

Nil.

Other Issues

Nil.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive the Progress Report from the Southcentral Workforce Network Regional Jobs Hub for the December 2023-June 2024 period.

DECISION:

Cr Owen moved, Cr Whelan seconded that Council receive the Progress Report from the Southcentral Workforce Network Regional Jobs Hub for the December 2023-June 2024 period.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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

13.2 Climate Change Adaptation Plan 2024 for Brighton Council

Attachment:	Climate Change Adaptation Plan 2024
Author:	Milly Burgess (Sustainability and Climate Project Officer)
Authorised:	David Allingham (Director Development Services)

Purpose

This report aims to seek endorsement for the Climate Change Adaptation Plan 2024 for Brighton Council (refer attachment).

Background

Brighton Council has had a Corporate Climate Change Adaptation Plan since 2012. In 2024, an updated Climate Change Adaptation Plan was developed for Brighton Council as part of the Southern Councils Climate Collaboration. The Adaptation Plan identifies risk statements, their risk rating, and adaptation actions for managing different climate hazards and aims to improve the capability of Brighton Council to manage the risks associated with climate change.

Consultation

The Adaptation Plan was developed with input from Brighton Directors. The Adaptation Plan was also presented to Elected Members at the July 2024 Council Workshop.

Risk implications

There are very few risks associated with endorsing the Adaptation Plan, as it is an update to the previously endorsed 2012 Adaptation Plan. However, there are risks associated with not endorsing the Adaptation Plan, as it would mean that Brighton Council would not have an adequate plan to manage the current and emerging risks from climate change. The possible risks of not having an endorsed Adaptation Plan include:

- Not being able to meet insurer expectations, which could result in loss of insurance or higher premiums
- Being at risk of litigation for negligence, which could result in financial loss to the council
- Not being prepared for climate hazards, which could result in loss of public assets, disruption to service delivery, financial loss to the council and/or risks to public safety
- Not meeting our obligations under the Local Government Act (Tasmania) 1993 to provide for health, safety and welfare of the community, which could result in reputational damage to the council

Financial Implications

There are no immediate financial implications of endorsing the Adaptation Plan. However, staff time will be required to implement it and financial planning will be required to resource some of the adaptation actions outlined in the plan. Adaptation actions will have varying costs and resource requirements, but many will become embedded in the operational business of council

through appropriate governance arrangements, planning and policy. Pursuing grant funding and establishing partnerships for collaborative or common actions are also options for reducing the overall cost of action for Council.

By investing in adaptation, Council has the potential to save money in the long term on costs such as emergency response and recovery, and/or asset repairs or replacement.

Strategic Plan

The Adaptation Plan aligns with the following strategies:

- 1.2 Build resilience and opportunity
- 2.1 Acknowledge and respond to the climate change and biodiversity emergency
- 2.4 Ensure strategic planning and management of assets has a long term-sustainability and evidence-based approach
- 3.1 Implement strategic long-term asset management plan aligned to long-term financial plan
- 3.3 Community facilities are safe, accessible and meet contemporary needs
- 4.1 Be big picture, long-term and evidence-based in our thinking
- 4.4 Ensure financial and risk sustainability

Social implications

There are positive social implications associated with adapting to climate change. These include protecting cultural, natural and built assets that the community value and use, and which contribute to their health and wellbeing and to social cohesion.

Economic implications

Every dollar invested in adaptation yields net economic benefits ranging from \$2 to \$10.

Environmental or climate change implications

The Adaptation Plan is in line with Brighton Council's Climate Change and Resilience Strategy 2023 Key Focus Area 4 to reduce corporate climate change risk and increase organisational resilience.

Other Issues

None.

Assessment

Managing risk is core business for local governments and the Adaptation Plan provides a comprehensive plan for Brighton Council to manage the risks associated with climate change. Therefore, it is recommended that Council endorse the Climate Change Adaptation Plan 2024.

Options

1. Endorse the Climate Change Adaptation Plan 2024; or
2. Do not endorse the Climate Change Adaptation Plan 2024; or
3. Other

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that Council endorse the Climate Change Adaptation Plan 2024 for Brighton Council.

DECISION:

Cr Geard moved, Cr De La Torre seconded that Council endorse the Climate Change Adaptation Plan 2024 for Brighton Council.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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

13.3 Coastal Hazards In Brighton Council

Attachment:	A – Derwent River Foreshore Coastal Hazards Report by SGS B – Formal Response to Coastal Hazards Report
Author:	Milly Burgess (Sustainability and Climate Project Officer)
Authorised:	David Allingham (Director Development Services)

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to request that Council note the Derwent River Foreshore Coastal Hazards Report by SGS (Attachment A) and to seek endorsement for the Formal Response to Coastal Hazards Report (Attachment B).

Background

Brighton Council secured funding through the Australian Government's Preparing Australian Communities – Local Stream Program, to develop a project to investigate coastal hazards in the municipality. SGS Economics & Planning were engaged to assess current and future coastal erosion, inundation, and stormwater hazards at three sites, including:

- Site A - Sunrise Avenue, Dromedary
- Site B - Riverside Drive, Bridgewater
- Site C - Old Beach

SGS delivered a report with their findings to council in March 2024. The report found that coastal hazards have current and future potential to impact private property, Aboriginal heritage sites, natural values, and public infrastructure across the three identified sites in the Brighton municipality.

The grant deed also required that Brighton Council develop a formal response to the SGS report outlining recommendations to respond to the identified coastal hazards. The recommendations address the physical and legal risk presented by coastal hazards and investigates who is responsible for taking what action.

Recommendations include communicating the risk of coastal hazards to the community and conducting further engagement with key stakeholders; taking a coordinated approach to coastal hazards with other councils and state government; developing a coastal hazards policy and considering the need for coastal management plans for impacted sites; using a climate legal risk decision-making framework to consider possible actions; reviewing coastal hazard modelling as new data becomes available; and, considering possible planning provisions.

Consultation

Derwent River Foreshore Coastal Hazards Report by SGS

SGS consulted with a number of different stakeholders, including residents in the affected areas and the Kutalayna Collective. They also presented the findings of their report at a Council workshop.

Formal Response to Coastal Hazards Report

Wide consultation was done with other Tasmanian local councils to understand how they are responding to coastal hazards. Meetings were also held with the author of the Regional Strategy – Adapting to a Changing Coastline in Australia, and the Tasmanian representative to the Australian Coastal Councils Association. A draft of the formal response was presented to a number of Brighton Directors and the General Manager, as well as to Elected Members at the July workshop.

Risk implications

Legal risk

As outlined in the Formal Response, there are legal risks inherent to all decision-making related to coastal hazards. However, failure to disclose hazard risk information may be considered negligent.

Community backlash

There may be some backlash from the community if the coastal hazard information results in a decrease in property values or an increase in insurance premiums. However, the report does not provide any new information that is not already publicly available and able to influence these things.

Community expectations

There may be expectations among the community that Council should build defences to protect private property from coastal hazards. Developing a coastal hazards policy, as per the recommendation in the formal response, will provide clarity on the role council will and will not take in responding to coastal hazards.

Financial Implications

There are no anticipated financial implications, however staff time will be required to implement the recommendations in the formal response.

Strategic Plan

The reports align with the Strategic Plan through the following strategies:

- 1.1 Engage with and enable our community
- 1.2 Build resilience and opportunity
- 2.1 Acknowledge and respond to the climate change and biodiversity emergency
- 2.4 Ensure strategic planning and management of assets has a long-term sustainability and evidence-based approach
- 3.3 Community facilities are safe, accessible and meet contemporary needs
- 4.1 Be big picture, long-term and evidence-based in our thinking
- 4.4 Ensure financial and risk sustainability

Social implications

There are positive social implications for proactively addressing the issue of coastal hazards through the recommendations in the formal response. These include ensuring public safety and investigating options that may help to preserve Aboriginal heritage sites and public infrastructure, like paths and parks, that contribute to community health and wellbeing.

Economic implications

Coastal hazards will have negative economic implications for private property owners as well as public landowners and asset managers, including council. However, these negative economic implications could be minimised by planning and preparing for future impacts now and having a clear pathway to adapt to these hazards as recommended in the formal response.

Environmental or climate change implications

Coastal hazards are already negatively impacting natural values in the municipality. Climate change is expected to exacerbate coastal hazards in the Derwent River Foreshore through increased frequency and severity of storm events, flooding and erosion.

Other Issues

None.

Assessment

Coastal hazards are already impacting sites across Brighton municipality. The council and community need to understand the current and future risk of coastal hazards in order to respond effectively. Therefore, it is recommended that the Council both note the Derwent River Foreshore Coastal Hazards Report and endorse the Formal Response to the Coastal Hazards Report.

Options

1. Note the Derwent River Foreshore Coastal Hazards Report and endorse the Formal Response to the Coastal Hazards Report; or
2. Note the Derwent River Foreshore Coastal Hazards Report and suggest amendments to the Formal Response to the Coastal Hazards Report; or
3. Do not note the Derwent River Foreshore Coastal Hazards Report and do not endorse the Formal Response to the Coastal Hazards Report; or
4. Other

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that Council note the Derwent River Foreshore Coastal Hazards Report and endorse the formal response to the Coastal Hazards Report.

DECISION:

Cr Irons moved, Cr Curran seconded that Council note the Derwent River Foreshore Coastal Hazards Report and endorse the formal response to the Coastal Hazards Report.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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

13.4 Corporate and Community Emissions Profiles for Brighton Council

Attachment:	A – Carbon and Energy Footprint – Brighton Council B – Community Carbon Emissions & Energy Footprint – Brighton LGA
Author:	Milly Burgess (Sustainability and Climate Project Officer)
Authorised:	David Allingham (Director Development Services)

Purpose

This report requests that the Council Carbon and Energy Footprint (Attachment A) and the Community Carbon Emissions and Energy Footprint (Attachment B) be noted by Council.

Background

The Council Footprint and Community Footprint reports have been developed as part of the Southern Councils Climate Collaboration and depict the carbon emissions and energy use from the council's operations and the community, respectively. The reports support Brighton Council to understand where its largest sources of emissions and energy use are in order to identify opportunities for reducing these. The Council Footprint is also critical in tracking Brighton's corporate emissions over time and the progress it is making towards the target of 85% emissions reduction on 2021 levels by 2030.

Consultation

Consultation was not undertaken for these reports as their purpose is to present data in an objective way.

Risk implications

Noting the two reports is very low risk as they were developed by experts in line with national carbon accounting methods set out by the Australian Government. All 12 southern councils received the reports for their municipality, and other councils have already made their reports publicly available.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications.

Strategic Plan

The reports align with the Strategic Plan through the following strategies:

- 2.1 Acknowledge and respond to the climate change and biodiversity emergency
- 2.3 Demonstrate strong environmental stewardship and leadership
- 2.4 Ensure strategic planning and management of assets has a long-term sustainability and evidence-based approach
- 4.1 Be big picture, long-term and evidence-based in our thinking

Social implications

Providing information about the community’s carbon footprint may lead some households and businesses to consider their own emissions and energy use, and empower them to make changes to reduce these. Many climate actions that the community can take also lead to financial savings and better health outcomes.

Economic implications

There are no economic implications.

Environmental or climate change implications

These reports provide Brighton Council with the data required to make effective, evidence-based decisions related to emissions reduction efforts and in tracking emissions reductions progress over time. They may also prompt households and businesses to reduce their own emissions.

Other Issues

There are no other issues.

Assessment

The Council and Community footprint reports provide critical information to council and the community about carbon emissions and energy use and help to guide where efforts should be made to reduce emissions. Therefore, it is recommended that these two reports are noted by Council.

Options

1. Both reports are noted by Council.
2. Neither report is noted by Council; or
3. Other

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that Council notes both the Council Carbon and Energy Footprint and the Community Carbon Emissions and Energy Footprint reports.

DECISION:

Cr Geard moved, Cr Irons seconded that Council notes both the Council Carbon and Energy Footprint and the Community Carbon Emissions and Energy Footprint reports.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

In favour	Against
Cr Curran	
Cr De La Torre	
Cr Geard	

Cr Gray
Cr Irons
Cr McMaster
Cr Murtagh
Cr Owen
Cr Whelan

13.5 Southern Tasmanian Regional Land Use Strategy - State of Play Report

Attachment: State of Play Report

Author: David Allingham (Director Development Services)

Purpose

This report informs Council of the progress to date in the comprehensive review and update to the Southern Tasmania Regional Land Use Strategy (STRLUS) and provides the State of Play Report for noting.

Background

STRLUS Review

The STRLUS is a long-term plan to facilitate and manage change, growth, and development, whilst protecting our natural values, within Southern Tasmania to 2035.

Since the preparation of the STRLUS, the Southern Tasmanian region has experienced population growth, and new economic and social conditions are driving change.

There have also been changes to the Tasmanian planning framework including the introduction of the Tasmanian Planning Scheme. Draft Tasmanian Planning Policies (TPPs) are currently under consideration. The STRLUS must be consistent with the TPPs.

In the context of this change, the 12 southern region councils committed to conduct a comprehensive review and update of the STRLUS. The comprehensive review and update program is co-funded by the 12 councils and the State government.

A Regional Planning Coordinator was appointed in August 2023 to coordinate the comprehensive review and development of the updated STRLUS. The Regional Planning Coordinator reports to a project steering committee and is supported by a regional working group.

ETHOS Urban, a leading consultancy comprising of planners, economists, social strategists, and designers, has been engaged to support the delivery of the State of Play and updates to the STRLUS.

State of Play

The State of Play report is the first step in updating the STRLUS. It summarises available data and information on a range of issues to understand the key issues and influences in the Region and the causes of growth and change. It addresses what we know from experience, what is currently happening, and (for some issues) projections of what may occur over the next 25-30 years.

The document is designed to be a community facing document enabling initial conversations around:

- How our region is changing and will continue to change.

- Changes we need to make to create a more equitable and resilient region for future generations.
- How planners determine where and how we accommodate growth.
- What great outcomes could look like and how the STRLUS can support this.
- Why it is important people are involved.

In drafting the State of Play some key principles for shaping the region have emerged. The principles seek to respond to the diversity of our region and are informed by the draft Tasmanian Planning Policies. Following input from stakeholders they may set key principles in developing the STRLUS. Shaping the region

- Planning for the Region is grounded in understanding of, respect for, and connections to culture, history, and Country.
- Land use and economic activity respect, respond sustainably to and protect the Region's unique natural environment.
- Communities across Southern Tasmania are safe and resilient to natural hazards and climate change.
- Communities in the Region are sustainable, connected, and diverse.
- Social services and infrastructure are planned and delivered to support a growing and changing community.
- Employment and economic clusters are accessible and transport networks support how, where, and why people and goods move within, to and from the Region.
- The Region's economy leverages its unique strengths and provides a stable base for employment growth and diversification.

Next Steps

Following noting by Councils and the Tasmanian Government Minister for Housing and Planning, the State of Play report will be placed on the project website where it will be used to begin consultation with stakeholders around updates to the STRLUS. Feedback gathered through consultation will be used to inform the STRLUS review.

ETHOS Urban in consultation with the working group is currently reviewing the current STRLUS. It is anticipated that a draft revised STRLUS will be provided to Council for endorsement late 2024 – early 2025. Following which it will be placed on formal public exhibition. It is anticipated the final STRLUS will be provided to the Minister for consideration mid-2025.

Consultation

James Dryburgh and David Allingham are members of the steering committee and working group respectively and have provided input into the State of Play Report and the STRLUS review.

A Council workshop on the State of Play report was held in July.

The State of Play and associated materials are to be made publicly accessible via a project website.

Each Council within the region is requested to publicly exhibit the State of Play making copies available for viewing by the public at Council premises and made available for viewing and downloading via Council's website and or linking to the project website.

Councils are requested to promote project engagement activities via their own engagement channels.

Risk implications

Other than reputational and normal project management risk considerations, no specific legal, risk and legislative issues are seen to apply to the proposed State of Play.

Financial Implications

There are no current or proposed funding implications associated with the State of Play or the STRLUS. Funding for the STRLUS review was allocated within the 23/24 budget.

There are no asset related implications associated with the project.

Strategic Plan

The STRLUS review and State of Play aligns with the following strategies:

- 1.1 Engage with and enable our community
- 3.2 Infrastructure development and service delivery are guided by strategic planning to cater for the needs of a growing and changing population
- 4.1 Be big picture, long-term and evidence based in our thinking
- 4.3 Ensure strong engagements and relationships to shape the agenda and advocate for our community

Social implications

The State of Play considers the social opportunities and challenges facing the region.

Economic implications

The State of Play considers the economic opportunities and challenges facing the region.

Environmental or climate change implications

The State of Play considers the environmental and climate opportunities and challenges facing the region.

Other Issues

None.

Assessment

The STRLUS review is well underway and it is important that it continues to progress in a timely manner. The State of Play provides an important snapshot of the region that will inform stakeholder engagement to inform the drafting of the updated STRLUS.

Options

1. Council note the State of Play report and the beginning of stakeholder consultation on the comprehensive review and update to the STRLUS;
2. Council do not note the State of Play report and the beginning of stakeholder consultation on the comprehensive review and update to the STRLUS; or
3. Other

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council note the State of Play report and the beginning of stakeholder consultation on the comprehensive review and update to the STRLUS.

DECISION:

Cr Whelan moved, Cr Curran seconded that Council note the State of Play Report and the beginning of stakeholder consultation on the comprehensive review and update to the STRLUS.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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

13.6 Brighton Regional Sports Centre - Upgrade to sporting facilities

Author: Project Engineer (L Ali-Lavroff)

Authorised: Callum Pearce-Rasmussen (Director Asset Services)

Background

The Brighton Football Club has successfully secured funding of approximately \$145,000 (excl. GST) to upgrade the interchange boxes and goal netting at the Brighton Regional Sports Centre, aiming to make the infrastructure suitable for the Premier League. The cost of purchasing all necessary materials, excluding installation is estimated to be approximately \$100,000 (excl. GST). Quotes for these materials have been provided to council by the club.

Therefore, the Brighton Football Club is seeking support from the Brighton Council to carry out civil works, including the construction of footings for the new interchange boxes and netting posts, as well as administrative assistance to ensure compliance with all relevant building codes. The Brighton Football Club will be responsible for designing and managing the project.

Council were provided with the above information at the June OCM and additional information was sought from the football club as to the where remaining funding from the grant would be spent in order to assist in determining whether a contribution from council was appropriate.

Should the football club complete the works for less than the \$145,000 grant amount, remaining funds would be used to undertake the following projects with pricing as provided by the club:

- Upgrading The Gate Keepers Box approximately \$5000
- Seating for interchange benches \$4000
- Vinyl wrap (Brighton heritage and sports theme) for sliding wall approximately \$12000
- Trophy Cabinet \$3500
- 70 Restaurant Chairs \$4900
- Flooring for Gym \$1500
- Goal Padding \$3200
- Floor and wall sealing storage area approximately \$3000

The costings provided are for items that would be suited to an application via the community grants program under normal circumstances.

Consultation

Director Asser Services (C Pearce-Rasmussen) and President Brighton Football Club (D Clark).

Risk Implications

Nil.

Financial Implications

Not accounted for within the budget. Cost of concrete for slabs and footings is estimated to be approximately \$23,000 (excl. GST). In order to fund a contribution, staff have identified the following items that may be considered for reduction or removal from the capital budget:

- Constructing ramp to Old Beach Foreshore Track from Calm Place \$22,500
- New play equipment budget \$23,690
- Reduction of Shelters, Shade and Seating budget for walkways \$42,436

Strategic Plan

S1.1 Engage with and enable our community

S1.2 Build resilience and opportunity

S1.3 Ensure attractive local areas that provide social, recreation and economic opportunities

S1.4 Encourage a sense of pride, local identity and engaging activities

S3.3 Community facilities are safe, accessible and meet contemporary needs

S3.4 Advocate and facilitate investment in our region

Social Implications

Not providing funding may result in disappointment for the Brighton Football Club and a missed opportunity to support low cost sporting options in the area.

In assessing the request for funding, consideration should be given to the lost benefits that would have come with construction of the capital items listed in Financial Implications. The benefits in constructing the capital items would include improved disability access to recreational spaces, improved playground equipment and higher amenity of the walking trail network.

Environmental or Climate Change Implications

Nil.

Economic Implications

Nil.

Other Issues

Nil.

Assessment

Council staff have discussed Brighton Football Club's proposal with the club's president.

Providing in-kind support for this project would be see benefit from a community perspective as it would enhance local sports infrastructure, foster community engagement, and promote health and well-being through increased physical activity opportunities.

However, given that the grant funding appears to be adequate to achieve the outcomes of the grant, and the additional items provided by the club appear to be suited to a community grant submission, council need to consider whether appropriate to reduce funding from the capital items identified in the Financial Implications section in order to fund this contribution to the club.

Options

1. As per recommendation.
2. Council approve the full \$23,000 request for funding, and council staff remove one of the items listed under Financial Implications from budget.
3. Council approve an alternative amount of funding and staff reduce the budget for one of the identified capital items accordingly.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council decline the request to approve a \$23,000 contribution to undertake the design and construction of footings for the new interchange boxes and netting posts due to the additional costings provided being suited to the community grants program and the club having adequate funding to achieve the grant outcomes without additional funding from council.

DECISION:

Cr Irons moved, Cr Owen seconded that Council decline the request to approve a \$23,000 contribution to undertake the design and construction of footings for the new interchange boxes and netting posts due to the additional costings provided being suited to the community grants program and the club having adequate funding to achieve the grant outcomes without additional funding from council.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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

13.7 Draft Private Works Policy

Attachment(s): Draft Private Works Policy AP24

Author: James Dryburgh (General Manager)

Background

The Tasmanian Audit Office has conducted a Private Works review of Tasmanian Council's and has recommended that Council formalise their position on private works and make them publicly available. Council have now developed a Private Works Policy for consideration that supports clear and transparent decision making processes in regard to any Private Works.

This draft policy aims to ensure that Council complies with its statutory obligations, acts in the public interest, and manages its resources effectively. Council's policy position is that priority use of Council's plant, equipment, labour and other resources is to be given to Council's own work program at all times, before entering into any private works arrangement.

This draft policy is presented to Council for consideration.

Consultation

Director Asset Services; Director Corporate Services; Audit Panel

Risk Implications

Nil.

Financial Implications

Nil.

Strategic Plan

S4.2 be well-governed, providing quality service and accountability to our community

S4.4 ensure financial and risk sustainability

Social Implications

Nil.

Environmental or Climate Change Implications

Nil.

Economic Implications

Nil.

Other Issues

Nil.

Options

1. As per the recommendation;
2. As per the recommendation with amendments;
3. Other.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council endorse the Private Works Policy (subject to any amendments) and that the policy be made publicly available on council’s website.

DECISION:

Cr De La Torre moved, Cr Whelan seconded that Council endorse the Private Works Policy and that the policy be made publicly available on council’s website.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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

14. Questions on Notice

There were no Questions on Notice for the July 2024 meeting.

15. Closed Meeting

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

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*.

RECOMMENDATION:

That in accordance with Regulation 15 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, Council move into Closed Session and the meeting be closed to members of the public to deal with the following items:

Item:	Closed under:
15.1 – EOI – Cheswick Crescent, Bridgewater	15(2)(f)

DECISION:

Cr Irons moved, Cr Curran seconded that in accordance with Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, Council move into Closed Session and the meeting be closed to members of the public to deal with the following item:

15.1 – EOI – Cheswick Crescent, Bridgewater 15(2)(f)

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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

15.1 EOI - Cheswick Crescent, Bridgewater

Authorisation to Move Out of Closed Session & Release of Information to the Public

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council, having met and dealt with its business formally moves out of Closed Session and resolves to report that it has determined the following:

Agenda item	Matter	Outcome
15.1	EOI – Cheswick Crescent, Bridgewater	

DECISION:

Cr De La Torre moved, Cr Curran seconded that Council, having met and dealt with its business formally moves out of Closed Session and resolves to report that it has determined the following

Agenda item	Matter	Outcome
15.1	EOI – Cheswick Crescent, Bridgewater	Will continue to explore options for the site at Cheswick Crescent, Bridgewater.

CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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

Meeting closed: 6.20pm

Confirmed: _____
(Mayor)

Date: _____
20 August 2024