

# ORDINARY MINUTES

**COUNCIL MEETING** 

Tuesday 11 July 2017

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Meander Valley Council held at the Council Chambers Meeting Room, 26 Lyall Street, Westbury, on Tuesday 11 July 2017 at 1.30pm.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Craig Perkins, Deputy-Mayor Michael

Kelly, Councillors Andrew Connor, Tanya King, Ian Mackenzie, Bob Richardson, Rodney Synfield,

John Temple and Deborah White.

**APOLOGIES:** Nil

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Martin Gill, General Manager

Merrilyn Young, Executive Assistant

Dino De Paoli, Director Infrastructure Services Jon Harmey, Director Corporate Services

Matthew Millwood, Director Works

Lynette While, Director Community & Development Services

Jo Oliver, Senior Strategic Planner Leanne Rabjohns, Town Planner Justin Simons, Town Planner Natasha Whiteley, Town Planner

Krista Palfreyman, Development Services Coordinator

Stuart Brownlea, NRM Officer

Kris Eade, Property Management Officer

Lauren Houston, Projects Officer, Infrastructure

#### 137/2017 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Councillor White moved and Councillor Mackenzie seconded, "that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 13 June, 2017, be received and confirmed."

The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Connor, Kelly, King, Mackenzie, Perkins, Richardson, Synfield, Temple and White voting for the motion.

## 138/20176 COUNCIL WORKSHOPS HELD SINCE THE LAST MEETING:

<ol> <li>Deloraine &amp; Districts Recreation Feasibility Study</li> <li>Proposed Speed Limit Reduction – Pitcher Parade</li> <li>Proposed Notice of Motion – Cr Tanya King</li> <li>Review of Policy No 79 – Pursuit of Illegal Buildings</li> <li>Review of Policy No 56 – Recreation Facilities Pricing</li> <li>Review of Policy No 43 – Dog Management</li> <li>Review of Policy No 82 – Community Grants</li> <li>New Policy No 88 – Related Parties</li> <li>NRM Strategy 2017-2021</li> <li>Mountain Man – Deloraine</li> </ol>

#### 139/2017 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR:

#### Sunday 18 June to Wednesday 21 June 2017

ALGA National General Assembly (Canberra)

#### Friday 23 June 2017

Meeting with Teen Challenge

#### **Tuesday 27 June 2017**

Council Workshop Hadspen Community Forum

#### Wednesday 28 June

LGAT General Management Committee
Premiers Local Government Council (Hobart)

#### Thursday 29 June 2017

Beacon Foundation and Country Club Dessert Challenge

#### Saturday 1 July 2017

Rotary Club of Westbury Changeover

#### Sunday 2 July 2017

Winterfire Lantern making workshop

#### **Tuesday 4 July 2017**

Prospect High School Beacon Charter signing

#### Wednesday 5 July 2017

NAIDOC Week (Deloraine)

#### Thursday 6 July 2017

Meeting with Premier Will Hodgman (Deloraine)

#### Tuesday 11 July 2017

Citizenships Ceremony (Westbury)

#### 140/2017 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

151/2017 Community Grants – Round 1 2017/18 - Cr Tanya King

#### 141/2017 TABLING OF PETITIONS:

A copy of a petition to the Rt Hon Malcolm Turnbull, the Prime Minister and Parliament of Australia regarding the Restoration of Preventative Health Programs was tabled.

Councillor Richardson moved and Councillor Connor seconded "that Council receive the petition."

The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Connor, Kelly, King, Mackenzie, Perkins, Richardson, Synfield, Temple and White voting for the motion.

#### 142/2017 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

1. PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE – JUNE 2017

Nil

2. PUBLIC QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE – JULY 2017

Nil

3. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE – JULY 2017

Nil

#### 143/2017 COUNCILLOR QUESTION TIME

#### 1. COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE – JUNE 2017

#### 1.1 Cr Bob Richardson

On Sunday, last, I drove to St Mary's. I passed through Avoca, Fingal and St Mary's. I noted that most, if not all, of the streets were kerbed and guttered, and most streets had concrete footpaths. Two of the three population centres have schools and swimming pools and.....

The population centres have about 200, 200 and 500 people.

Why has Hadspen, a much larger centre, not been provided with a school? Why does not Hadspen and Westbury not have pools. Are these not reasonable questions to ask?

#### Response by Martin Gill, General Manager

Hadspen does not have a school because, to this point, neither the Department of Education nor another education provider has elected to establish a school in the township.

Hadspen and Westbury do not have pools because neither Westbury Council nor the Meander Valley Council have resolved to build a pool in either township.

I have assumed the last question regarding the reasonableness of the two prior questions was rhetorical. If it was not please let me know and I will prepare a response.

#### 2. COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE – JULY 2017

Nil

#### 3. COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE – JULY 2017

#### 3.1 Cr Tanya King

Its plastic free July, and I have been scrutinising my own family's plastic use, and have identified some improvements we can make. One easy thing to do is to separate and collect soft plastic for recycling. Unfortunately, I would need to drive to Launceston, to access my nearest collection point!

REDcycle is a recycling program that diverts flexible plastics – the ones you can't put in your kerbside recycling bin – from landfill and turns them into a material that can be used to manufacture new products.

Could Meander Valley Council please investigate the feasibility of introducing collection points within our municipality?

#### **Question taken on Notice**

#### 3.2 Cr Andrew Connor

Could Council's Environmental Health Officers conduct proactive patrols during winter months to ensure compliance with smoking chimney regulations?

The regulations are breached if smoke is visible 10 metres or more from a chimney for at least 30 seconds at a time, as well as being generally visible for at least 10 minutes.

An infringement notice is an on-the-spot fine of \$240

#### **Question taken on Notice**

#### 3.3 Cr Bob Richardson

Recently Councillors were circularised regarding published data from the 2016 Census.

That data was published in 4 statistical areas (SA1 through to SA4) for Meander Valley.

Could a map of the Meander Valley's SA's please be published in this Council meetings minutes.

Response by Martin Gill, General Manager Map is atached

#### 144/2017 DEPUTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

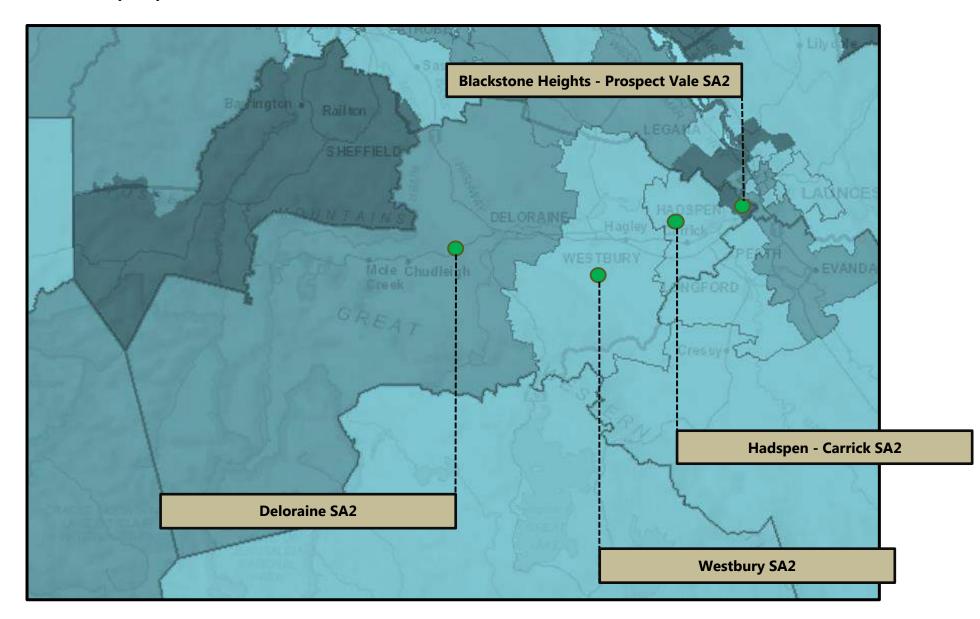
Nil

#### 145/2017 NOTICE OF MOTIONS BY COUNCILLORS

158/2017	Notice of Motion – Repeal section 13 of the Fluoridation Act 1968 – Cr
	Tanya King
159/2017	Notice of Motion – Australia Day - Cr Andrew Connor

#### **Meander Valley Council LGA**

**Statistical Area Level 2 (SA2)** 



#### COUNCIL MEETING AS A PLANNING AUTHORITY

The Mayor advised that for items 146/2017 to 149/2017 Council is acting as a Planning Authority under the provisions of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*.

## 146/2017 10A NEPTUNE DRIVE, BLACKSTONE HEIGHTS - CHANGES TO AN EXISTING NONCONFORMING USE (STORAGE BUILDING)

#### 1) Introduction

This report considers application PA\17\0205 for Changes to an Existing Non-conforming Use (storage building) on land located at 10A Neptune Drive, Blackstone Heights (CT 169236/2).

#### 2) Recommendation

That the application for Use and Development for Clause 9.1.1(a) Changes to an Existing Non-conforming Use (storage building) on land located at 10A Neptune Drive, Blackstone Heights (CT 169236/2) by R Harrison requiring the following discretions:

Changes to an Existing Non-conforming Use

be APPROVED, generally in accordance with the endorsed plans:

a) Johnstone McGee & Gandy – Site plan; Shed plans, elevations and details & Site and drainage plan;

and subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Prior to the commencement of use, either:
  - a) a Section 71 agreement must be executed, that provides for the following:

Prior to any future sealing of a subdivision of the land (CT 169236/2), the stormwater from the subject building must be directed to Council's stormwater system to the satisfaction of Director Infrastructure Services.

Once executed, the agreement must be lodged and registered in accordance with Section 78 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*.

All costs associated with preparing and registering the Agreement must be borne by the applicant.

OR

b)

- i. Design drawings are to be submitted showing the means of connection to Council's stormwater system, to the satisfaction of Director Infrastructure Services: and
- ii. All construction is to be completed in accordance with the endorsed stormwater design drawings, to the satisfaction of Director Infrastructure Services.

#### Note:

- 1. Any other proposed development and/or use, including amendments to this proposal, may require a separate planning application and assessment against the Planning Scheme by Council. All enquiries can be directed to Council's Community and Development Services on 6393 5320 or via email: mail@mvc.tas.gov.au.
- 2. This permit does not imply that any other approval required under any other by-law or legislation has been granted. The following additional approvals may be required before construction commences:
  - a) Building approval
  - b) Plumbing approval

All enquiries should be directed to Council's Permit Authority on 6393 5322 or Council's Plumbing Surveyor on 0419 510 770.

- 3. This permit takes effect after:
  - a) The 14 day appeal period expires; or
  - b) Any appeal to the Resource Management and Planning Appeal Tribunal is abandoned or determined; or.
  - c) Any other required approvals under this or any other Act are granted.
- 4. A planning appeal may be instituted by lodging a notice of appeal with the Registrar of the Resource Management and Planning Appeal Tribunal. 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 Resource Management and Planning Appeal Tribunal website www.rmpat.tas.gov.au
- 5. 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 Council's Notice to Waive Right of Appeal is attached.
- 6. This permit is valid for two (2) years only from the date of approval and will thereafter lapse if the development is not substantially commenced. A once only extension may be granted if a request is received at least 6 weeks prior to the expiration date.
- 7. In accordance with the legislation, all permits issued by the permit authority are public documents. Members of the public will be able to view this permit (which includes the endorsed documents) on request, at the Council Office.
- 8. If any Aboriginal relics are uncovered during works;
  - a) All works are to cease within a delineated area sufficient to protect the unearthed and other possible relics from destruction,
  - b) The presence of a relic is to be reported to Aboriginal Heritage Tasmania Phone: (03) 6233 6613 or 1300 135 513 (ask for Aboriginal Heritage Tasmania Fax: (03) 6233 5555 Email: aboriginal@heritage.tas.gov.au); and
  - c) The relevant approval processes will apply with state and federal government agencies.

#### **DECISION:**

Cr Mackenzie moved and Cr White seconded "that the application for Use and Development for Clause 9.1.1(a) Changes to an Existing Non-conforming Use (storage building) on land located at 10A Neptune Drive, Blackstone Heights (CT 169236/2) by R Harrison requiring the following discretions:

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  - c) The relevant approval processes will apply with state and federal government agencies."

The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Connor, Kelly, King, Mackenzie, Perkins, Synfield and White voting for the motion and Councillors Richardson and Temple voting against the motion.

#### Comment by Cr Bob Richardson

The applicant had approval to construct a residence and restaurant.

The construction which has been undertaken looks nothing like a "manager's residence and restaurant".

Approval, retrospectively, for a storage building provides a potential precedent for future non-conforming buildings.

### 148/2017 45A PARSONAGE STREET, DELORAINE - MULTIPLE DWELLINGS (2 UNITS)

The Mayor invited Mark Butson to address the meeting regarding this item.

#### 1) Introduction

This report considers application PA\17\0212 for Multiple Dwellings (2 units) on land located at 45A Parsonage Street, Deloraine CT:161933/2).

#### 2) Recommendation

That the application for Use and Development for Multiple Dwellings (2 units) on land located at 45A Parsonage Street, Deloraine (CT:161933/2) by M Walters, requiring the following discretions:

- 10.4.2 Setbacks and building envelope
- 10.4.4 Sunlight and overshadowing for all dwellings
- 10.4.9 Storage for multiple dwellings
- E6.7.2 Design and Layout of Car Parking

be APPROVED, generally in accordance with the endorsed plans:

a) Wood Drafting and Design Services, drawing number MW-1320, Sheets 01, 02 & 04.

and subject to the following conditions:

1. The development must be in accordance with the Submission to Planning Authority Notice issued by TasWater (TWDA No 2017/00854-MVC attached).

Note:

- 1. The provision of a dedicated visitor parking space is not a condition of this approval.
- 2. The stormwater drainage system designed for the development must incorporate stormwater detention. Approval of the proposed on-site detention by Council's Infrastructure Department will be required prior to the issue of building and plumbing permit approvals. Refer to the separate letter from Council attached to this permit.

- 3. This permit does not imply that any other approval required under any other by-law or legislation has been granted. At least the following additional approvals may be required before construction commences:
  - a) Building permit
  - b) Plumbing permit

All enquiries should be directed to Council's Permit Authority on 6393 5322 or Council's Plumbing Surveyor on 0419 510 770.

- 4. This permit takes effect after:
  - a) The 14 day appeal period expires; or
  - b) Any appeal to the Resource Management and Planning Appeal Tribunal is abandoned or determined; or.
  - c) Any other required approvals under this or any other Act are granted.
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- 6. 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 Council's Notice to Waive Right of Appeal is attached.
- 7. This permit is valid for two (2) years only from the date of approval and will thereafter lapse if the development is not substantially commenced. An extension may be granted if a request is received at least 6 weeks prior to the expiration date.
- 8. In accordance with the legislation, all permits issued by the planning authority are public documents. Members of the public will be able to view this permit (which includes the endorsed documents) on request, at the Council Office.

- 9. If any Aboriginal relics are uncovered during works;
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#### **DECISION:**

Cr Mackenzie moved and Cr Kelly seconded "that the application for Use and Development for Multiple Dwellings (2 units) on land located at 45A Parsonage Street, Deloraine (CT:161933/2) by M Walters, requiring the following discretions:

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#### Note:

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detention by Council's Infrastructure Department will be required prior to the issue of building and plumbing permit approvals. Refer to the separate letter from Council attached to this permit.

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The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Connor, Kelly, King, Mackenzie, Perkins, Richardson, Synfield and White voting for the motion and Councillor Temple voting against the motion.

## 149/2017 2172 MOLE CREEK ROAD, MOLE CREEK - UTILITIES (TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER, EQUIPMENT SHELTER & SECURITY FENCE)

The Mayor invited Clinton Northey, Metasite Pty Ltd, to address the meeting regarding this item.

#### 1) Introduction

This report considers application PA\17\0180 for Discretionary use - utilities (telecommunication tower, equipment shelter & security fence) on land located at 2172 Mole Creek Road, Mole Creek (CT:16100/2).

#### 2) Recommendation

That the application for Use and Development for Discretionary use - utilities (telecommunication tower, equipment shelter & security fence) on land located at 2172 Mole Creek Road, Mole Creek (CT:16100/2) by Metasite Pty Ltd C/- Optus, requiring the following discretions:

- Clause 13.3.1 Amenity
- Clause 13.4.1 Building Design and Siting

be APPROVED, generally in accordance with the endorsed plans:

- a) Huawei; Dated: 10 March 2017; Drawing No.: H0099C P1 & P2; Revision 2.
- b) Rogerson & Birch Surveyors; Dated: 22 February 2017; Ref No.: METAS16 10080-01 Lease Detail Survey Plan.

and subject to the following conditions:

1. Prior to the commencement works, a colour/finishes schedule is to be submitted to the satisfaction of Council's Town Planner. The materials and finishes of all structures are to be non-reflective and in tones that blend with the landscape.

#### Note:

1. Any other proposed development and/or use, including amendments to this proposal, may require a separate planning application and assessment against the Planning Scheme by Council. All enquiries can be directed to Council's Community

and Development Services on 6393 5320 or via email: mail@mvc.tas.gov.au

- 2. This permit does not imply that any other approval required under any other by-law or legislation has been granted. The following additional approvals may be required before construction commences:
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  - b) Plumbing approval

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  - c) The relevant approval processes will apply with state and federal government agencies.

#### **DECISION:**

Cr Kelly moved and Cr Connor seconded "that the application for Use and Development for Discretionary use - utilities (telecommunication tower, equipment shelter & security fence) on land located at 2172 Mole Creek Road, Mole Creek (CT:16100/2) by Metasite Pty Ltd C/-Optus, requiring the following discretions:

- Clause 13.3.1 Amenity
- Clause 13.4.1 Building Design and Siting

#### be APPROVED, generally in accordance with the endorsed plans:

- a) Huawei; Dated: 10 March 2017; Drawing No.: H0099C P1 & P2; Revision 2.
- b) Rogerson & Birch Surveyors; Dated: 22 February 2017; Ref No.: METAS16 10080-01 Lease Detail Survey Plan.

and subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Prior to the commencement works, a colour/finishes schedule is to be submitted to the satisfaction of Council's Town Planner. The materials and finishes of all structures are to be non-reflective and in tones that blend with the landscape.
- 2. If the tower falls into disuse for a period of 2 years the owner/operator shall be responsible for its removal within the ensuing year and site remediation.

#### Note:

- 1. Any other proposed development and/or use, including amendments to this proposal, may require a separate planning application and assessment against the Planning Scheme by Council. All enquiries can be directed to Council's Community and Development Services on 6393 5320 or via email: mail@mvc.tas.gov.au
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  - a) The 14 day appeal period expires; or
  - b) Any appeal to the Resource Management and Planning Appeal Tribunal is abandoned or determined; or.
  - c) Any other required approvals under this or any other Act are granted.
- 4. A planning appeal may be instituted by lodging a notice of appeal with the Registrar of the Resource Management and Planning Appeal Tribunal. 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 Resource Management and Planning Appeal Tribunal website www.rmpat.tas.gov.au
- 5. 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 Council's Notice to Waive Right of Appeal is attached.

- 6. This permit is valid for two (2) years only from the date of approval and will thereafter lapse if the development is not substantially commenced. A once only extension may be granted if a request is received at least 6 weeks prior to the expiration date.
- 7. In accordance with the legislation, all permits issued by the permit authority are public documents. Members of the public will be able to view this permit (which includes the endorsed documents) on request, at the Council Office.
- 8. If any Aboriginal relics are uncovered during works;
  - a) All works are to cease within a delineated area sufficient to protect the unearthed and other possible relics from destruction,
  - b) The presence of a relic is to be reported to Aboriginal Heritage Tasmania Phone: (03) 6233 6613 or 1300 135 513 (ask for Aboriginal Heritage Tasmania Fax: (03) 6233 5555 Email: aboriginal@heritage.tas.gov.au); and
  - c) The relevant approval processes will apply with state and federal government agencies."

As an amendment Cr Temple moved and Cr White seconded "that if the tower falls into disuse for a period of 2 years the owner/operator shall be responsible for its removal within the ensuing year and site remediation."

The amendment was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors King, Richardson, Synfield, Temple and White voting for the motion and Councillors Connor, Kelly, Mackenzie and Perkins voting against the motion.

The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Connor, Kelly, King, Mackenzie, Perkins, Richardson, Synfield, Temple and White voting for the motion.

## 150/2017 REPRESENTATIONS TO DRAFT PLANNING SCHEME AMENDMENT 1/2017 MEANDER VALLEY INTERIM PLANNING SCHEME 2013 – WESTBURY ROAD ACTIVITY CENTRE

#### 1) Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to adopt a formal response to the representations made to the exhibition of the draft planning scheme amendment 1/2017 for a rezoning land from Light Industrial Zone to the General Business Zone and the insertion of a Specific Area Plan (SAP) for a future, mixed-use development on the land contained in 361, 369, 375 and 377 Westbury Road.

This report is prepared in accordance with Section 39 of the former provisions of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act (LUPAA) 1993.

#### 2) Recommendation

#### It is recommended that Council:

- 1. Endorse the officers comments as its opinion as to the merits of the representations in accordance with Section39(2) of the former provisions of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993.
- 2. Recommend to the Tasmanian Planning Commission the following modifications:
  - a) Insert a Local Area Objective at 21.1.2 Prospect Vale recognising the existing joinery use:
    - c) Provide for the continued use of land for Manufacturing & Processing for a joinery business at 367 Westbury Road as a complementary use within the activity centre.
  - b) Include 'Manufacturing and Processing' as a Permitted Use in 21.2 Use Table, qualified for a joinery business on Certificates of Title 32077/2 and 32077/3;

c) Insert a standard in the Use Standards at F5.4.2 as follows:

#### F5.4.2 Sensitive Use

#### Objective:

To ensure that the use of land for sensitive uses does not adversely impact on the operation of existing industrial activities.

- A1 Sensitive uses must be setback a minimum distance of 40m from the boundary of Certificates of Title 32077/2 and 32077/3 and the adjoining Light Industrial Zone.
- P1 Applications for sensitive uses are to demonstrate that:
  - a) the emissions of adjoining industrial activities will not adversely impact upon the amenity of that use; or
  - b) measures are included to mitigate potential adverse impacts on that use.
- 3. Forward the endorsed report to the Tasmanian Planning Commission.

#### **DECISION:**

Cr Mackenzie moved and Cr White seconded "that Council

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- 2. Recommend to the Tasmanian Planning Commission the following modifications:
  - a) Insert a Local Area Objective at 21.1.2 Prospect Vale recognising the existing joinery use:
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- P1 Applications for sensitive uses are to demonstrate that:
  - a) the emissions of adjoining industrial activities will not adversely impact upon the amenity of that use; or
  - b) measures are included to mitigate potential adverse impacts on that use.
- 3. Forward the endorsed report to the Tasmanian Planning Commission."

The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Connor, Kelly, King, Mackenzie, Perkins, Richardson, Synfield and White voting for the motion and Cr Temple voting against the motion.

Cr King left the meeting at 2.36pm

## 151/2017 2017-2018 COMMUNITY GRANTS APPLICATION ASSESSMENTS - ROUND 1 - JULY 2017

#### 1) Introduction

The purpose of this report is to present for Council approval, the recommendations of the Community Grants Committee for Community Grants Round 1.

#### 2) Recommendation

### It is recommended that Council endorses the recommendations of the Community Grants Committee and approves the following allocations:

Organisation	Project	Grant Recommended
		•
Darts Tasmania Inc	Junior Nationals - Westbury	1,850
Deloraine Golf Club Inc	Renovation of Greens	1,000
Deloraine House Inc	Community Garden - Deloraine	2,000
Goodstart Early Learning	Community Garden – Prospect Vale	2,000
Meander Valley Suns FC Inc	Match Day Footballs	2,070
Mole Creek Progress Assoc.	Community Garden – Mole Creek	2,000
Prospect Combined Probus Club	Cultural Trips Subsidy	1,000
Rotary Club of Westbury Inc	Food Van Safety Upgrade	3,000
Westbury Cricket Club Inc	Storage Container	2,600
Westbury PS P & F Assoc.	Westbury Maypole Festival	2,870
		20,390

#### **DECISION:**

## Cr Mackenzie moved and Cr White seconded "that Council endorses the recommendations of the Community Grants Committee and approves the following allocations:

Organisation	Project	Grant Recommended \$
Darts Tasmania Inc	Junior Nationals - Westbury	1,850
Deloraine Golf Club Inc	Renovation of Greens	1,000
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Rotary Club of Westbury Inc	Food Van Safety Upgrade	3,000
Westbury Cricket Club Inc	Storage Container	2,600
Westbury PS P & F Assoc.	Westbury Maypole Festival	2,870
		20,390

The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Connor, Kelly, Mackenzie,
Perkins, Richardson, Synfield, Temple and White
voting for the motion.

Cr King returned to the meeting at 2.42pm

## 152/2017 MEANDER VALLEY COUNCIL NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 20172021

#### 1) Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to adopt the Meander Valley Council Natural Resource Management Strategy 2017-2021.

#### 2) Recommendation

It is recommended that Council adopt the Meander Valley Natural Resource Management Strategy 2017-20 as follows:

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Natural Resource Management Strategy 2017-2021





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"The Aboriginal people have a long connection to country that includes the Meander Valley Municipality. We respect and value these strong physical and spiritual links. Meander Valley Council acknowledges and pays respect to the Tasmanian Aboriginal Community as the traditional and original owners and custodians of this land, acknowledging Elders - past and present".

#### **Further information**

To find out more about this Strategy and how your or your organisation may be involved in it's implementation, contact Council.

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Strategy Vision

The Meander Valley Municipality is a place of positive lifestyles where productivity and social opportunities are enhanced through engagement with natural resource management, to maintain our rich natural assets for future generations.

#### About the Strategy

The Meander Valley Council Natural Resource Management Strategy 2017 – 2021 (this Strategy) is the fourth such Strategy that Council has prepared since 1999. Whilst retaining a focus on strategic, science and community based Natural Resource Mangement (NRM) objectives, it departs from previous versions in a number of ways.

#### What is retained

- Close links to the most recent regional NRM Strategy prepared by NRM North, in this case the *Natural Resource Management Strategy Northern Tasmania 2015 2020.*
- An emphasis on scientific knowledge and evidence based data as a foundation for NRM planning.
- Local knowledge and aspirations reflected in the NRM Strategy's Vision and in Managing Natural Assets.

#### What is new

- As a document prepared for Council by its NRM Committee, closer links to Council's strategic and operational frameworks are demonstrated.
- A more contemporary approach to document design and structure. This Strategy is concise and readily comprehended. It connects to a dynamic internet presence to broaden appeal, interaction and accessibility (from 2018).
- A stronger focus on NRM landscapes linked to land use planning. Planning scheme zones inform
  the distribution of NRM landscapes across the municipality. Zone objectives, land use mapping and
  NRM landscape objectives combine to provide appropriate direction to NRM priorities at a
  local scale.
- Climate change is a crucial issue with implications across all landscapes and natural assets, and relevant elements of climate change impacts are identified.

#### The Meander Valley in an NRM Context



The Meander Valley Municipality is a large and diverse area in Northern Tasmania which offers many business and lifestyle opportunities. The Great Western Tiers form a dramatic

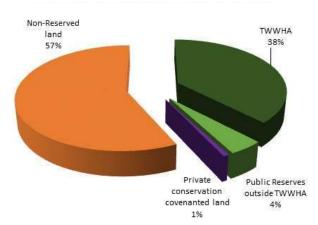
backdrop to our rural landscape and settlements. Landscapes range from mountain peaks to extensively forested areas, productive agricultural lands, historic towns and villages, to the more urban communities of Hadspen, Blackstone Heights and Prospect Vale on the fringes of Launceston.

The Meander Valley is rich in natural resources. A variety of soils and relative abundance of water support a high diversity of agricultural pursuits and natural areas. Catchments for the Meander River and part of the Mersey River cover most of the municipality, with a network of streams reaching up into the highlands as well as the northern boundary.

Karst (soluble rock that forms solution features such as caves and sinkholes) is extensive in the Meander Valley, with world class show caves in the Mole Creek National Park, that is part of the broader Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area (TWWHA). This is a special area that requires sensitive NRM responses.

A network of reserves recognises the diversity and quality of biodiversity and geodiversity values present. These range from the TWWHA to National Parks and other public reserve classifications. Complementing these, 2,374Ha of conservation covenant reserves

Reserve Status in Meander Valley



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on 79 private properties have been established to protect important natural values. As you would expect of this network, threatened species and vegetation communities are well represented across the municipality. This is only part of the picture. You can't go far in Meander Valley without seeing some sort of natural values on private or public land.

#### NRM Landscapes

Natural Resource Management (NRM) is important and when outside reserve areas, often more so. NRM has traditionally focussed on areas where management change and strategic planning can make a difference for long term outcomes. NRM stakeholders and facilitators recognise the need to balance social, economic and environmental objectives across all land tenures and scales when making management decisions. A healthy local economy involving agriculture and industry contributes to social and environmental outcomes, just as environmental projects help safeguard economic outcomes and values whilst enhancing social context such as healthy and attractive places for residents and visitors alike.

Increasingly landscape level management is being advocated to build resilience in natural and productive systems that face climate change impacts, catastrophic natural events or land use change. Local, prioritised and well considered activities are still the building blocks of good NRM yet we need landscape connections that will stand the test of time. For example, biodiversity under pressure can benefit from appropriately designed movement and refuge corridors.

The engagement of stakeholders, land managers and policy makers will be critical to ensure that future generations are able to enjoy social, economic and environmental prosperity at least to the standards we have today.

Working to conserve natural values across the municipality will secure them for future generations.



Land use in Meander Valley has been dominated by agriculture, forestry and reserves since settlement.

Agriculture and to a lesser extent forestry, continue to drive the local economy. Manufacturing and processing related to agricultural production has grown in recent decades. Engineering, building and fabrication services, generally on the fringes of urban areas, are significant employers and wealth generators even though they have a small footprint. Quarrying and mining also occurs in isolated locations.

The agricultural sector is broad due to the range of soils and rainfall variations. Sheep operations are well represented across the municipality. On better soils with good rainfall or access to irrigation, dairy and beef cattle are common enterprises. Grains, vegetables, and berries are also growth industries in the sector.

Water storage in the form of commercial dams can regulate river flows and contribute to hydro power generation. Farm dams also play a role in managing the water resource.

Tasmanian Alkaloids produces pharmaceutical products at the Valley Central Industrial Estate on the edge of Westbury. This boosts industrial output significantly as well as commissioning the growing of required medicinal poppy stock on suitable land across the Meander Valley and further afield. This has provided a valuable alternative crop for farmers to add to their paddock rotations.



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Forestry is undertaken on private rural land, in the form of native forest harvesting and plantation management. Significant areas of forests on selected public land tenures are available to Forestry Tasmania for harvesting, generally on long rotations. Some informal reserve areas are created through the forest practices system.

Areas with a lifestyle focus, typically clusters of small farms or bush blocks, are common in Meander Valley and demand has seen new areas identified in strategic planning to facilitate their expansion. Reedy Marsh, Jackeys Marsh, Golden Valley, Elizabeth Town and Birralee are well established strongholds for lifestyle blocks. Many others areas are being made available for this land use purpose.



The main urban centres that service the rural areas are Deloraine and Westbury. Other villages with some services but limited urban development include Mole Creek, Chudleigh, Meander, Bracknell and Carrick. At the eastern end of the municipality, on the fringes of the City of Launceston, are the significant dormitory suburbs of Prospect Vale, Blackstone Heights and Hadspen.

The Country Club Casino at Prospect Vale is a major tourism hub and a centre for recreation. Tourism is a growth area with cycling trails, town parks, bushwalking trails, accommodation and reserves servicing this sector. Much of this is focussed in urban and natural areas, though increasingly visitors are enjoying scenic rural land with the dramatic Great Western Tiers in the background. The Mole Creek caves are also a big drawcard and provide a link to the Cradle Mountain – Lake St Clair National Park.



Visions, Values and Future Directions provide a context for Council programs and projects. This guides where resources are invested and how Council engages and works with the community.

Strategic outcomes are derived from Future Directions: they identify what role Council plays in progressing identified target outcomes and what collaboration will be required to see it realised. This provides a detailed guide on how to structure and put detail on it's Delivery Plan and Annual plans. Council's NRM Officer has a role to play as an advisor on Council projects and activities where natural

resources are at risk or where processes may have impacts on natural values or assets - as part of risk management systems. This NRM Strategy is designed to benefit the municipality and its residents. It strongly aligns with existing Meander Valley Council policy documents such as its *Community Strategic Plan 2014 – 2024, Council Delivery Plan 2014 – 2018* and Annual Plans. It will work alongside other planning documents such as the *Meander Valley Council Interim Planning Scheme 2013*, Outline Development Plans, Special Area Plans, and an Open Space Strategy (under development). It also provides a reference for relevant policy reviews.

#### Meander Valley Council Community Strategic Plan (2024)

Meander Valley Natural Resource Management Strategy (2017-2021)

The Community Strategic Plan and the NRM Strategy are both strategies for the whole municipality.

The Community Strategic Plan guides the role of Council and all community sectors towards our Vision, Values & Future Directions.

The NRM Strategy aligns with our Vision and Values and outlines how the natural resource management sector contributes to our Future Directions.

## Our Vision, Values & Future Directions

#### Vision

The backdrop of the Great Western Tiers, the mix of urban lifestyle and rural countryside give Meander Valley its unique look and feel, offering **livability** and healthy lifestyle choices. A community working together growing for generations to come.

## Values Guide our choices & behaviours

#### **Future Directions**

- A sustainable natural and built environment
   A thriving local economy
   Vibrant and engaged communities
- 4. A healthy and safe community5. Innovative leadership and community governance6. Planned infrastructure services

# The NRM Strategy aligns & contributes to our Vision, Values & Future Directions

#### Vision

The NRM Strategy contributes to liveability and healthy lifestyle choices.

#### **Values**

The NRM Strategy honours the values that guide our choices & behaviours.

#### **Future Directions**

The NRM Strategy contributes to

- 1. A sustainable natural and built environment 2. A thriving local economy and;
  - 3. Vibrant and engaged communities

#### **Strategic Outcomes**

The natural, cultural and built heritage of Meander Valley is protected and maintained.

Meander Valley is environmentally sustainable.

There is support for participation in programs that improve water quality in our waterways.



To create inclusive partnerships for natural resource management across all land tenures and as appropriate to landscape context. To empower and respect everyone willing to get involved in progressing actions to maintain and enhance the natural values of our area

## Community Input

Community input is vital to any Strategy, particularly one as broad and complex as one on Natural Resource Management. Feedback from individuals and groups within the area can assist with the identification of risk areas and the actual distribution of natural assets. The community is well placed to identify social and economic values across our landscapes. Land owners and managers will have to be both direction setters and stakeholders in crafting a sustainable future.

Community consultation in Meander Valley is being undertaken during a Draft Strategy exhibition period. When developing its Natural Resource Management Strategy, Northern Tasmania 2015 – 2020, NRM North joined the other Regional NRM organisations in Tasmania to undertake a comprehensive community and stakeholder consultation process. This Strategy has drawn on that input to inform prioritisation of threats to assets and asset management responses.

It is anticipated that this Strategy will become the core of a web-based version during 2017 – 2018. In that format it can be both responsive and current. New scientific evidence and additional community contributions will be able to inform minor updates during its 2017 – 2021 timeframe. More resources and links will be made available as part of the design.

#### Science and Evidence Input

Science and evidence together guide the way for management of natural resources. Often imperfect but always better than anecdotes or guesswork, it provides a responsible framework for us to work within. Proven methodologies are more likely to realise expectations. Modelling gives us a glimpse of possible futures to let us make decisions with more confidence. Our understanding of NRM factors is changing all the time and science needs to critically assess and refocus along the way. After all, we do NRM for tomorrow rather than for today.

An enviable array of scientific research, data and modelling is available in Tasmania to inform Strategies such as this one. Some of these sources will be compiled and further explored in the web-based version of this Strategy.

NRM related projects must include appropriate technical advice and comply with legislation. Council's NRM Officer can provide advice.

#### NRM North Input

NRM North has been the Regional Natural Resource Management organisation for Northern Tasmania since 2005. The Meander Valley Municipality, as a part of the Northern Region, has maintained a close working relationship with NRM North. Meander Valley Council will continue to collaborate with NRM North for improved outcomes in our municipal area. Together we will tirelessly seek out connections with NRM stakeholders, broker funding for community groups and landowners keen to initiate NRM projects, and develop quality policies and procedures.

NRM North partners in planning, research, trials and monitoring. It gathers and distributes NRM knowledge across all NRM Landscapes and Assets. The structure of this Strategy purposely reflects the structure of the Regional NRM Strategy to further strengthen our collaborative approach at all levels. We value the resources and expertise that can be accessed at NRM North.



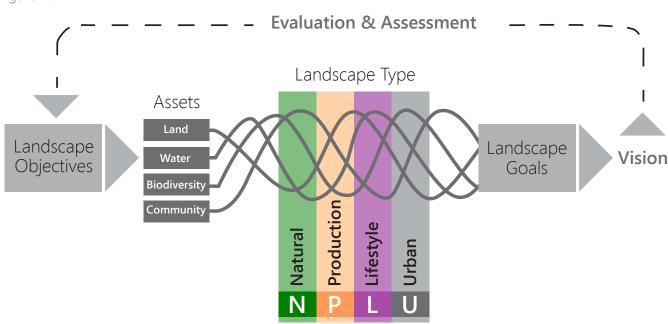
The regional approach to creating an NRM Strategy framework is replicated here. Landscapes and natural assets form the backbone of the NRM Strategy and these are detailed in following sections.

How actions are resourced and undertaken is a matter for prevailing circumstances that in some cases may include availability of grants, which usually come with specific opportunities and constraints. Due to the many considerations required, no specific actions are detailed here. This Strategy is available to justify time and investment, as well as identify priorities and risks to consider.

The Strategy approach is shown in Figure 1.1. The Landscape Objectives on the left, provide direction on how we manage Assets (land, water, biodiversity, community). The Landscape Types identified give context on how to reach landscape goals realistically and ultimately deliver on our Strategy Vision. These are described in further detail in following pages.

Evaluation of improvements and stakeholder engagement will be periodically reviewed. This important process will contribute to a reassessment of priorities and risks present as well as how we can improve delivery of NRM outcomes.

Figure 1.1





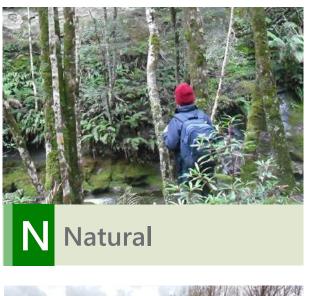


Contemporary NRM planning recognises that different locations will have a different mix of social, environmental and economic characteristics. Being responsive to these variables allows more tailored priorities to be developed.

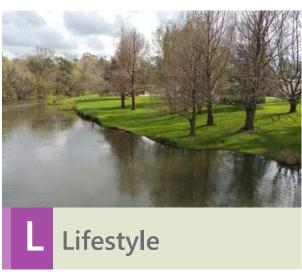
The degree of risk, distribution of natural values and sensitivity to change will vary from place to place. In order to make sense of this complexity, defining a few NRM Landscape types is an effective way to determine objectives and allocate priorities.

The use of Landscape Types identifies how land types connect across property boundaries, which is a critical consideration of NRM. This Strategy uses the NRM North landscape categories comprising of; Natural, Production, Lifestyle and Urban.

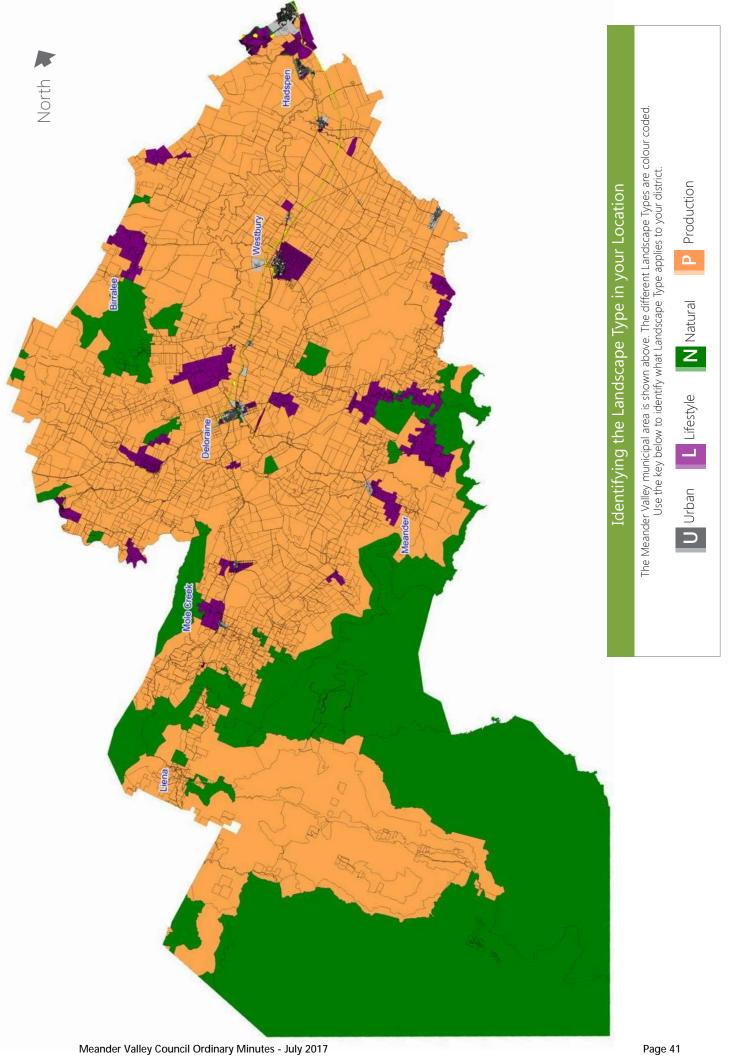
These have been applied in a manner that reflects the application of land use zones defined in the Tasmanian Planning System. NRM Landscape Types are shown below:











# NRM Landscapes in Meander Valley



## Landscape Definition

Areas that support native species, communities and ecosystems and have experienced no, or minimal, direct human impact beyond those of pre-settlement, or have been substantially restored to appropriate ecological communities.

## Landscape Goal

The character and function of the municipality's Natural Landscapes are maintained to support the community and ecological values that they provide.

## Landscape Objectives

- Mitigate and manage the impacts of extreme and/ or unseasonal hydrological changes on threatened species, karst, and wetlands.
- Engage and recognise contributions to positive NRM outcomes by volunteers, landowners with conservation covenants, the Aboriginal Community and researchers.
- Mitigate and manage the impacts of fire regimes deviating from ecological norms on threatened species, karst, recreation areas as well as native vegetation where practical.

- Manage weed impacts, by containment or eradication, as appropriate to protect recreation areas and karst as priorities.
- Support control of feral animal populations where they are impacting on flora and fauna, with a focus on threatened species conservation.
- Effective planning undertaken as required to protect threatened species and native vegetation, the latter particularly where it borders a reserve.



#### **Landscape Definition**

Areas that have been modified for broader-scale primary production including agriculture, aquaculture, forestry and mining.

## Landscape Goal

To maintain healthy Production Landscapes, which underpin the municipality's productive economic values, while recognising the need to ensure sustainable development and intergenerational equity for the future.

## Landscape Objectives

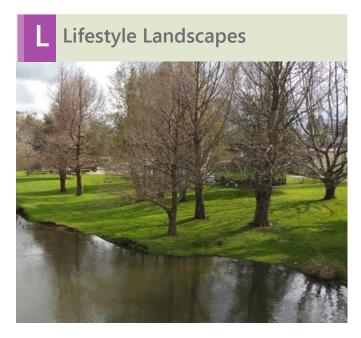
• Build on and support programs and initiatives aimed at improving productivity, profitability and



increasing adoption of best-practice environmental management.

- Improve biodiversity and associated farm shelter by protecting and connecting native vegetation, and avoiding fragmentation. Includes watercourses, drains and wetlands.
- Effective planning undertaken as required to support sustainable agricultural productivity, protect threatened species and native vegetation, particularly where connectivity and remediation is an objective.
- Planning and practices consider improving the carbon balance through such mechanisms as planting trees, improving waste management, and exploring options that reduce the impact of burning.
- Mitigate and manage the impacts of extreme and/or unseasonal hydrological changes on productive land, watercourses and wetlands, and native vegetation.
- Mitigate and manage the impacts of fire regimes deviating from ecological norms on threatened species, and native vegetation where practical.
- Support control of feral animal populations where they are impacting agricultural land and surrounds.
- Manage weed impacts, by containment or eradication, as appropriate to protect productive land, threatened species, native vegetation, watercourses and wetlands.
- Land use changes planned to minimise the impacts on native flora and fauna especially threatened species, and native vegetation particularly where connectivity and remediation is an objective.
- Engage and recognise contributions to positive NRM outcomes by volunteers, landowners with conservation covenants, innovators and researchers.
- Research, trial and implement options to increase and maintain soil fertility.

- Retain soil and nutrients on productive land. Prevent these and any pollutants entering watercourses and wetlands, particularly where concentrations increase algal bloom risk or are likely to threaten aquatic ecosystems.
- Monitor and mitigate risks of salinity, sodicity and acid sulphate soils on productive land.



## Landscape Definition

Peri-urban or acreage property areas, fragmented and generally modified landscapes - these make up the non-income or complementary incomegenerating sector of land management.

## Landscape Goal

The municipality's Lifestyle Landscapes will maintain the values for which they were settled.

## Landscape Objectives

- Improve biodiversity and associated farm shelter by protecting and connecting native vegetation, and avoiding fragmentation. Includes watercourses, drains and wetlands.
- Mitigate and manage the impacts of extreme and/or unseasonal hydrological changes on productive land,



watercourses and wetlands, threatened species and native vegetation.

- Increased awareness of potential impacts of climate change.
- Manage weed impacts, by containment or eradication, as appropriate to protect productive land, threatened species, native vegetation, watercourses and wetlands.
- Support control of feral animal populations where they are impacting agricultural land and surrounds.
- Effective planning undertaken as required to support sustainable small farm productivity, protect watercourses and wetlands, threatened species and native vegetation, particularly where connectivity and remediation is an objective.
- Land use changes planned to minimise the impacts on native flora and fauna, especially threatened species, and native vegetation particularly where connectivity and remediation is an objective.
- Mitigate and manage the impacts of fire regimes deviating from ecological norms on threatened species, and native vegetation where practical.
- Engage and recognise contributions to positive NRM outcomes by small farm owners, landowners with conservation covenants, researchers, and innovators.
- Reduce pollutants and nutrients entering watercourses and wetlands, particularly where concentrations increase algal bloom risk or are likely to threaten aquatic ecosystems.
- Implement proven options to increase and maintain soil fertility.
- Monitor and mitigate risks of salinity, sodicity and acid sulphate soils on productive land.



## Landscape Definition

Areas associated with towns, villages and suburbs as well as rural residential, retail and industrial areas.

## Landscape Goal

The municipality's Urban Landscapes support healthy, vibrant communities that are connected to and aware of the municipality's natural resources.

## Landscape Objectives

- Improve biodiversity and associated shelter by protecting and connecting native vegetation, and avoiding fragmentation on public land. Includes watercourses, drains and wetlands.
- Manage weed impacts, by containment or eradication, as appropriate to protect recreation areas, watercourses and wetlands.
- Effective planning undertaken as required for NRM outcomes in urban areas, particularly to support Outline Development Plans, planning for major subdivisions, and for sites bordering reserves.
- Land use changes planned to minimise the impacts on native flora and fauna, especially threatened species, wetlands and waterways, and native vegetation.

# NRM Landscapes in Meander Valley

- Mitigate and manage the impacts of extreme and/ or unseasonal hydrological changes on watercourses, wetlands, and native vegetation.
- Promote responsible pet ownership and support control of feral animal populations, particularly cats, where they are impacting fauna in urban and periurban areas
- Improve communication on NRM matters in urban areas, and explore opportunities for partnerships.
- Increased awareness of potential impacts of climate change.

- Reduce pollutants entering watercourses, wetlands and drainage lines.
- Monitor and mitigate risks of salinity, sodicity and acid sulphate soils on urban land, native vegetation, recreation areas, watercourses, wetlands, and infrastructure.
- Mitigate and manage the impacts of fire regimes deviating from ecological norms on recreation areas with native vegetation.









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Protecting, managing or improving the condition and range of natural assets is the ultimate aim of NRM. Natural assets include flora, fauna, soil, water and landscape features. Collectively they support us through ecosystem services and agricultural productivity.

Assets are divided up into four categories; Land, Biodiversity, Water and Community. This helps us to understand the type of natural asset under consideration. These terms are widely used in Natural Resource Management with programs and projects aimed at one or more of these categories so that outcomes can be readily assessed.

The Meander Valley supports a wide range of ecosystems and responsibly managed productive land to sustain our natural assets. Some natural assets are faring well whilst others need our attention. Priority natural assets identified in this Strategy are viewed from a landscape perspective as abundance, risks and appropriate responses vary greatly across the municipality.

Science and evidence inform the level of urgency and what actions are desirable for individual circumstances.

#### 1. Land Assets

#### Overview

Meander Valley municipality's Land Assets encompass topography and the soils that support agriculture, plantation forestry and native ecosystems; the vegetation that covers and protects these soils; geo-conservation; and cultural heritage values.

#### **Priority Focus Areas**

- Karst (features and systems)
- Productive land
- Recreation areas
- Critical infrastructure
- Agricultural land where specific threats exist
- Land adjoining reserves
- Vistas of scenic areas

#### 2. Water Assets

#### Overview

These include surface and groundwater resources and freshwater environments within the municipality, including rivers, karst, wetlands and aquifers. Dams at various scales may provide opportunities for biodiversity, controlled flows and improve water quality.

#### **Priority Focus Areas**

- Watercourses that are degrading
- Wetlands
- Groundwater
- Karst (systems)
- Stormwater networks

#### 3. Biodiversity Assets

#### Overview

These encompass the municipality's terrestrial and aquatic native species and the complex ecological communities they form.

#### **Priority Focus Areas**

- Threatened species
- Threatened vegetation communities
- Riparian vegetation
- Other native vegetation in good condition
- Native flora and fauna where specific threats exist
- Where natural landscape connectivity or remediation is an objective
- Land for development
- Urban areas

#### 4. Community Assets

#### Overview

These are the individuals; community groups and volunteers; State and Local Government; business and industry; and non-government organisations that represent the municipal community. These people play a critical role in the management and use of our natural resources and are in themselves a key asset.

#### **Priority Focus Areas**

- Smaller/hobby farm engagement
- Effective communication
- Strong NRM partnerships
- Aboriginal Community
- Engaged volunteers
- Recognition of direct contributions to improved NRM outcomes
- Research to support decision making
- Innovation in NRM
- Recognition of climate change impacts

# Guide to using the Managing Natural Assets Table

By identifying the relationship between the four Asset Categories and the Landscape Types, the table illustrates the affect of a threat or issue in conjunction with the impact of climate change factors. Icons used are described below. The table should be read from left to right as the infomation in preceeding columns is cumulative and determines Overall Urgency.

#### Identified issue or threat

An identified issue or threat is the trigger for NRM action.

#### Asset Affected & Priority Focus Area

Identifies the affected Priority Asset listed under one of the the four Asset Categories (Land, Water, Biodiversity or Community).

> Priority Asset affected — Threatened Species Asset Category — 3. Biodiversity

#### Vulnerability to identified issue or threat

Vulnerability is determined by a Priority Asset's susceptibility to and level of exposure to the identified issue or threat.

#### Level of impact on relevant Landscape Type

Priority Assets are associated with one or more of the four Landscape Types. The icons below are used to identify which Landscape Type/s are relevent to the Priority Asset and indicate the level of impact the issue or threat has within that Landscape Type.

- Natural landscape types will be moderately impacted
- Production landscape types will be moderately impacted
- Lifestyle landscape types will be moderately impacted
- Urban landscape types will be moderately impacted

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- Natural landscape types will be highly impacted
- Production landscape types will be highly impacted
- Lifestyle landscape types will be highly impacted
- Urban landscape types will be highly impacted

#### Climate Change impacts identified as additional risk factors\*

Priority Asset's and their Asset Categories are impacted by climate change. The impact climate change may have on a specific Priority Asset is listed in the table. The different aspects of climate change are explained below.

Temperature: Increase in average temperatures.	<b>Evaporation Rate:</b> Increased evaporation rate, reduced soil moisture and runoff.	
Extreme Temperature: More frequent hot days, warm spells and heatwaves. Fewer frost-risk days and cold spells.	Drought: Increased time in drought.	
Rainfall: Generally less rainfall in winter and spring, with regional differences and less snow.	Wind Speed: Increase in mean windspeed in winter. Possible increase in extremes.	
Extreme Rainfall: Increase in intensity of heavy rainfall events.	Fire Weather: Fire weather will become harsher, with an increased fire weather risk.	

\*This table is a condensed version. A more comprehensive version can be found on page 22 (Figure 1.2)

#### **Overall Urgency**

Overall Urgency is determined after considering all of the impacts, and is described as: Very High, High, Medium or Low

#### **Council's Role** (Provider, Facilitator or Advocate)

All sectors of the community work together in their respective roles. Council acts in the following roles:

Provider: includes regulatory responsibilities Facilitator: by working with and assisting others

Advocate: by speaking out and lobbying on behalf of the community Meander Valley Council Ordinary Minutes - July 2017

## Managing Natural Assets Table

Identified issue or threat	Priority Assets Affected	Vulnerability to identified issue or threat	Level of impact on relevant Landscape Type	Climate Change impacts identified as additional risk factors	Overall Urgency	Council's Role (Provider, Facilitator or Advocate)
The issue or threat is:	Priority Focus Area: Threatened Species	The vulnerability of Threatened Species to pollution is:	Lifestyle and Natural are the Landscape Types relevant to Threatened Species. Lifestyle and Natural LandscapeTypes will be highly impacted	Threatened Species may be impacted by the following aspects of climate change:	After considering all these impacts, the level of urgency is:	Council's role is that of:
Extreme and/or	Asset Category: 3. Biodiversity	High	LN	Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought	Very High	Advocate
unseasonable hydrological changes	Karst 1. Land	High	N P L	Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Drought	Very High	Advocate
	Productive Land 1. Land	High	LP	Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought	Very High	Advocate
	Watercourses & Wetlands 2. Water	Medium	NPLU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought	High	Provider
	Native Vegetation 3. Biodiversity	Medium	NPLU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	Medium	Advocate
Fire regimes deviating from ecological norms	Threatened Species 3. Biodiversity	High	NPLU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	Very High	Advocate
	Native Vegetation 3. Biodiversity	High	NPLU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	Very High	Facilitator
	Recreation Areas 1. Land Assets	Low	NU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	Medium	Provider
	<b>Karst</b> 1. Land Assets	High	N P L	Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Fire Weather	High	Advocate
Weeds	Threatened Species 3. Biodiversity	Medium	NPLU	Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	Medium	Advocate
	Native Vegetation 3. Biodiversity	High	NPLU	Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	High	Provider
	Watercourses & Wetlands 2. Water	Medium	NPLU	Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	High	Provider
	Productive Land	Medium	PLU	Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	Medium	Advocate
	Recreation Areas 1. Land Assets	Medium	NU	Extreme Temperature, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed	Medium	Provider
	<b>Karst</b> 1. Land Assets	Low	N	Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate	Low	Advocate
Pollution	Watercourses & Wetlands 2. Water	Medium	NPLU	Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought	Medium	Provider
	Stormwater Networks 2. Water	Medium	PLU	Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought	Medium	Provider
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Identified issue or threat	Priority Assets Affected	Vulnerability to identified issue or threat	Level of impact on relevant Landscape Type	Climate Change impacts identified as additional risk factors	Overall Urgency	Council's Role (Provider, Facilitato or Advocate)
Pollution continued	Threatened Species 3. Biodiversity	Low	N P L U	Rainfall, Fire Weather	Medium	Advocate
Algal Blooms	Watercourses - water quality 2. Water	Low	NPU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed	Medium	Provider
	Watercourses - aquatic life 2. Water	Medium	N P L	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed	High	Provider
	Recreation Areas 1. Land	Medium	NU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed	High	Provider
Decline in soil fertility: needs	Productive Land 1. Land	Medium	PL	Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought	Medium	Advocate
sustainable options; research & trials	Native Vegetation 3. Biodiversity	Low	PLU	Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought	Low	Advocate
Salinity, sod- icity & acid	Productive Land 1. Land	Low	PL	Temperature, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate	Medium	Advocate
sulphate soils	Watercourses & Groundwater 2. Water	Low	PU	Temperature, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate	Medium	Advocate
	Infrastructure 1. Land	Medium	PU	Temperature, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate	Medium	Provider
	Native Vegetation 3. Biodiversity	Medium	PU	Temperature, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate	Medium	Provider
	Recreation Areas 1. Land	Medium	U	Temperature, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate	Medium	Provider
	For Development 1. Land	Medium	UL	Temperature, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate	Medium	Facilitator
Feral Animals	Native Flora & Fauna 3. Biodiversity	Medium	NPLU	None identified	Medium	Facilitator
	Productive Land 1. Land	High	PL	None identified	High	Facilitator
Loss of biodiversity & associated shelter (including fragmentation)	Where natural landscape connectivity & remediation is an objective 3. Biodiversity	High	PLU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	Very High	Provider
	Native Vegetation 3. Biodiversity	Medium	PLU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	High	Provider
	Watercourses & Wetlands 2. Water	High	NPLU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	Very High	Facilitator
	Productive Land 1. Land	Medium	PL	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	High	Advocate
	Recreation Areas 1. Land	Low	NU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	Medium	Provider
	Urban Areas 3. Biodiversity	High	LU	Temperature, Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	High	Provider

Identified issue or threat	Priority Assets Affected	Vulnerability to identified issue or threat	Level of impact on relevant Landscape Type	Climate Change impacts identified as additional risk factors	Overall Urgency	Council's Role (Provider, Facilitator or Advocate)
Effective NRM planning and/ or monitoring desirable	Productive Land 1. Land	Medium	NPLU	None identified	Medium	Facilitator
	Smaller/Hobby Farms 4. Community	Medium	PLU	None identified	High	Facilitator
	Land Adjoining Reserves 1. Land	Medium	NPLU	None identified	Medium	Advocate
	Watercourses & Wetlands 2. Water	High	PLU	None identified	High	Advocate
	Where natural landscape connectivity & remediation is an objective 3. Biodiversity	High	NPLU	None identified	High	Provider
	Native Vegetation 3. Biodiversity	Medium	NPLU	None identified	Medium	Provider
	Threatened Species 3. Biodiversity	High	NPLU	None identified	High	Provider
Land use change	Native Fauna & Flora including Threatened Species 3. Biodiversity	High	PLU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	High	Provider
	Where natural landscape connectivity & remediation is an objective 3. Biodiversity	High	PLU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	High	Provider
Lack of engagement in NRM & recognition of NRM's contribution to positive environmental, economic & social outcomes	Effective Communication 4. Community	Low	N P L U	None identified	Low	Facilitator
	Strong NRM Partnerships 4. Community	Low	LU	None identified	Low	Facilitator
	Engaged Volunteers 4. Community	High	N P L U	None identified	High	Facilitator
	Aboriginal Community 4. Community	High	N P L U	None identified	High	Facilitator
	Recognition of direct contributions to improved NRM outcomes 4. Community	Medium	N P L	None identified	Medium	Facilitator
	Research to support decision making 4. Community	Medium	NPLU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	High	Facilitator
	Innovation 4. Community	Medium	PLU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	High	Advocate
	Climate change mitigation & adaptation 4. Community	High	NPLU	Temperature, Extreme Temperature, Rainfall, Extreme Rainfall, Evaporation Rate, Drought, Wind Speed, Fire Weather	Very High	Provider

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This Strategy has been prepared for Council by its Natural Resource Management Committee. At time of preparation, the contributing Committee members were:

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Mrs Ann Whiteley (Meander Landcare Group)
Mrs Maureen Bennett (Agricultural sector)

Mr David Bower (Private Forests Tasmania)

Mr Rob Buck (Tasmania Parks & Wildlife Service)
Mr Glen Neill (Industry – Tasmanian Alkaloids)

Mr Andrew Baldwin (NRM North)

Cr Rodney Synfield (Meander Valley Council)
Ms Lynette While (Meander Valley Council)
Mr Stuart Brownlea (Meander Valley Council)

The Committee particularly recognises the advice and assistance Andrew Baldwin provided, based on his involvement in developing the Natural Resource Management Strategy, Northern Tasmania 2015 – 2020.

Meander Valley Council provides a commitment to support this Strategy to the extent of considered resourcing, on land under its management.

As has been the case in the past, partnerships are key to effecting positive change for natural assets across all of our wonderful landscapes. Beyond its own land management responsibilities Meander Valley Council will continue to engage with the community and likeminded organisations to support its vision through the implementation of the Meander Valley Council Natural Resource Management Strategy 2017 – 2021.



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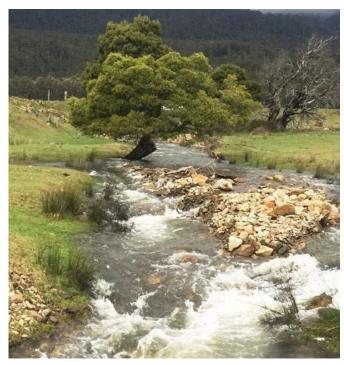
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## **DECISION:**

Cr Synfield moved and Cr White seconded "that Council adopt the Meander Valley Natural Resource Management Strategy 2017-2021 as above".

The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Connor, King, Mackenzie, Perkins, Richardson, Synfield, Temple and White voting for the motion and Cr Kelly voting against the motion.

# 153/2017 REVIEW OF POLICY NO. 82 – COMMUNITY GRANTS & REMOVAL OF COUNCIL POLICY 55 AND COUNCIL POLICY 75

#### 1) Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to review existing policies No. 82 – Community Grants, No. 55 Townscape Incentive Grant Scheme and No. 75 Community Organisations Regulatory Fees Refund Scheme and to discontinue Policy No. 55 and Policy No. 75 and adopt revised Policy No. 82.

#### 2) Recommendation

#### It is recommended that Council

- a. Discontinues Policy No. 55 Townscape Incentive Grant Scheme and Policy No. 75 – Community Organisations Regulatory Fees Refund Scheme; and
- b. Adopt the revised Policy No. 82 Community Incentive Grants

## **POLICY MANUAL**

**Policy Number: 82** Community Incentive Grants

Purpose: To establish a funding principle and operational

framework for the management of Community

**Incentive Grants** 

**Department:** Community & Development Services

**Author:** Lynette While, Director Community & Development

Services

Council Meeting Date: 11 July 2017
Minute Number: 153/2017

Next Review Date: July 2021

#### POLICY

### 1. <u>Definitions</u>

#### **Community Incentive Grants:**

A range of financial grants made available to not-for-profit community organisations and individuals in support of projects and activities that build community capacity. These

include Community Grants, Community Organisations Regulatory Fees Refund Scheme and Townscape Incentive Grants Scheme.

#### **Community Grant**

Financial grant made available to not for profit community organisations and individuals to undertake community development projects and activities that build community capacity.

#### **Regulatory Fees Refund Scheme**

Assistance to eligible community organisations for a refund of regulatory fees charged by Council. These are typically for building, permit authority, planning, plumbing, place of assembly permit and food licence fees associated with a one-off occurrence such as a non-recurring event or the building of a structure.

#### **Townscape Incentive Grant Scheme**

Assistance to property owners in the Meander Valley municipality to improve the external appearance of their buildings and gardens in keeping with heritage principles.

#### 2. Objective

The objectives of this policy are to:

- a) Provide a consistent and equitable process for the assessment and allocation of Community Incentive Grants
- b) Maintain the value and relativity of the annual budget allocation for Community Grants, Regulatory Fees Refunds Scheme and Townscape Incentive Grant Scheme
- c) Provide assistance to eligible organisations and individuals by way of an incentive to support and build community capacity.

#### 3. Scope

This policy applies to Councillors, staff and community involved in the application and management of Community Incentive Grants.

#### 4. Policy

Council will:

i. Provide an overall annual budget for the Community Grants Program (incorporating Community Organisations Regulatory Fees Refund Scheme) equal to 1% of General Rate Income.

- ii. Provide an additional annual budget allocation for the Townscape Incentive Grant Scheme to provide assistance to property owners to improve the external appearance of their properties in keeping with heritage principles.
- iii. Assess and allocate all Community Incentive Grants in accordance with the attached Meander Valley Council Community Incentive Grants Policy Guidelines.

#### 5. Legislation and Associated Council Policies

Local Government Act 1993 (Section 77)
Policy No. 1 Risk Management
Policy No. 78 New and Gifted Assets
Community Development Framework 2013

#### 6. Responsibility

Responsibility for the operation of this policy rests with the Director, Community & Development Services.

#### **DECISION:**

Cr King moved and Cr Connor seconded "that Council

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## 154/2017 REVIEW OF POLICY NO. 43 - DOG MANAGEMENT

#### 1) Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to review existing Policy No 43 – Dog Management.

#### 2) Recommendation

It is recommended that Council adopt the following Dog Management Policy for the next five years as follows:

## **POLICY MANUAL**

Policy Number: 43 Dog Management

Purpose: To establish a Dog Management Policy for the

Municipal Area that complies with The Dog Control

Act 2000.

**Department:** Community & Development Services

**Author:** Neville Scott

Council Meeting Date: 17 April, 2012 11 July 2017

Minute Number: 62/2012

Next Review Date: April 2017 April 2022

#### **POLICY**

#### 1. Definitions

#### 2. Objective

The objectives listed in this section have been developed to guide the Dog Management Policy and to ensure that Council consistently and effectively fulfils its responsibilities under the Dog Control Act 2000, particularly with regard to the protection of residents' rights. The objectives of the Policy are:

1. To ensure that owners of dogs comply with their obligations under the Dog Control Act 2000.

- 2. To prevent the danger caused by dogs to the public and to other dogs and animals.
- 3. To minimise the distress and nuisance caused by dogs to the public.
- 4. To actively promote the responsible ownership of dogs.
- 5. To provide for the reasonable exercise and recreational needs of dogs.

#### 3. Scope

All Dogs and owners of dogs residing within Meander Valley Council in the Municipality local government area.

#### 4. Policy

#### **COMPLAINTS AND NUISANCE PROVISIONS**

Council will consider every complaint received. Issues raised will be investigated in a manner which ensures that all facts are considered to avoid vexatious and false complaints being supported. Where necessary, Council will institute proceedings against a dog owner for an offence under Section 46 of the Dog Control Act 2000.

#### **MONITORING AND EVALUATION**

An annual report will be prepared and presented to Council for noting their information. to evaluate the ongoing effectiveness of this policy as well as determining the extent to which the objectives of the policy have been met.

The report will include the following indicators.

- Number of dogs registered
- Number of dogs impounded
- Number of Infringement Notices issued
- Number of formal complaints received and actions taken
- Financial evaluation of the provision of animal control services
- Number of kennel licenses issued
- Summary of dogs declared to be dangerous

#### **CODE OF RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP**

Council is committed to the objective of promoting responsible dog ownership and has adopted the following code which requires dog owners to:

- Ensure that the dog is kept under control at all times
- Ensure that the dog is registered in accordance with the Dog Control Act 2000, with a financial incentive provided for owners to de-sex dogs that are not being kept for intentional breeding purposes
- Ensure that the dog receives necessary care and attention in accordance with good veterinary practice, and is supplied with adequate food, water and shelter.

- Ensure that the dog receives adequate exercise
- Take all reasonable steps to ensure that the dog does not cause a nuisance to any other person, whether by persistent or loud barking/ howling or by any other means.
- Take all reasonable steps to ensure that the dog does not injure, endanger, intimidate, or otherwise cause distress to any person
- Take all reasonable steps to ensure that the dog does not injure, endanger, or cause distress to any stock, poultry, domestic animal, or protected wildlife
- Take all reasonable steps to ensure that the dog does not damage or endanger any property belonging to any other person
- Comply with all regulations under the Dog Control Act 2000, including the requirement for the person in charge of a dog to immediately remove and dispose of faeces left by the dog in a public place or in a place not owned by the person

#### **EDUCATION**

Council will make available a pamphlet which includes information on:

- the requirements of the Dog Control Act 2000
- the code of responsible dog ownership
- the role and function of Council and Council's responsibilities to the community regarding dog management
- services available to assist community members to be responsible dog owners

Council Officers will, upon request, visit local schools to make presentations to students on dog ownership issues and responsibilities.

#### **MUNICIPAL DOG POUND**

Council will operate a Municipal dog pound in accordance with the requirements of the Dog Control Act 2000.

Every effort will be made to secure an alternative home for dogs admitted and not claimed, however, dogs will be euthanased as a last resort when required.

The information pamphlet will include encouragement for dog owners to contact Council in the event of losing their dog. Such action aims to facilitate the reuniting of impounded dogs with owners.

#### **FEES**

Council strives to set dog registration fees that are affordable by dog owners, yet provide a return for the costs associated with the delivery of dog control services.

Dog owners will be encouraged to register their dogs early in the financial year. Encouragement in this regard will be offered by the way of a discount if registration fees are paid prior to the 31 July August each year.

In developing registration fees each year Council will utilise the following principles:

- Owners of sterilized de-sexed dogs will be levied an amount as affordable as possible
- Owners who choose not to sterilise de-sex to keep entire dogs (either male or female)
   will be required to pay a higher level of fees
- Pensioners will be provided with an opportunity to register their first dog at a discounted rate
- Owners with an I.D. card from an approved Training Institute who keep either guide dogs, hearing dogs or companion dogs are not charged
- Owners of dogs kept for breeding purposes and registered with the TCA will be levied a
  fee that recognises the purpose for which they are kept. The fee will, however, be
  discounted from that which would normally apply to an entire animal
- Owners of Greyhounds registered with the Tasmanian Greyhound Racing Board will be provided with an opportunity to register the animal at a discounted rate
- Owners of working dogs will be provided with an opportunity to register the animal at a discounted rate

Owners seeking concessional registration (ie. pensioners or owners of sterilised or greyhound dogs) may need to produce written evidence of eligibility as prescribed in the Act. In the case of working dogs, a demonstration of working stock may be required. Breeders must produce a current Stud Prefix issued by the TCA.

Council will set its dog fees at its ordinary Council meeting held in May of each year. The fees will be advertised and standard renewal notices will be provided to all those who have registered a dog previously.

Council will undertake a full audit of dogs in the municipal area every 5 years.

#### **PROPOSED** DECLARED AREAS

Under the Act, Council can declare dog exercise areas on land solely under the jurisdiction of the Council, where dogs can be exercised off the lead if under effective control at all times.

The exercise areas proposed are:

Prospect: Pitcher Parade (western side of Wetlands area)

Hadspen: River Reserve from Foote Street to Browne Street

Westbury: part of Town Common

Deloraine: part of Deloraine Community Complex site

#### Legislation

Dog Control Act 2000

#### 6. Responsibility

Responsibility for the operation of the policy rests with the Director, Community and Development Services.

#### **DECISION:**

Cr Mackenzie moved and Cr White seconded "that Council adopt the following Dog Management Policy for the next five years as follows:

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**Department:** Community & Development Services

**Author:** Neville Scott

**Council Meeting Date:** 11 July 2017 **Minute Number:** 154/2017

Next Review Date: April 2022

#### **POLICY**

#### 1. Definitions

#### Objective

The objectives listed in this section have been developed to guide the Dog Management Policy and to ensure that Council consistently and effectively fulfils its responsibilities under the Dog Control Act 2000, particularly with regard to the protection of residents' rights. The objectives of the Policy are:

- 1. To ensure that owners of dogs comply with their obligations under the Dog Control Act 2000
- 2. To prevent the danger caused by dogs to the public and to other dogs and animals.
- 3. To minimise the distress and nuisance caused by dogs to the public.
- 4. To actively promote the responsible ownership of dogs.

5. To provide for the reasonable exercise and recreational needs of dogs.

#### 3. Scope

All Dogs and owners of dogs within Meander Valley Council local government area.

#### 4. Policy

#### COMPLAINTS AND NUISANCE PROVISIONS

Council will consider every complaint received. Issues raised will be investigated in a manner which ensures that all facts are considered to avoid vexatious and false complaints being supported. Where necessary, Council will institute proceedings against a dog owner for an offence under Section 46 of the Dog Control Act 2000.

#### MONITORING AND EVALUATION

An annual report will be prepared and presented to Council for noting.

The report will include the following indicators.

- Number of dogs registered
- Number of dogs impounded
- Number of Infringement Notices issued
- Number of formal complaints received and actions taken
- Financial evaluation of the provision of animal control services
- Number of kennel licenses issued
- Summary of dogs declared to be dangerous

#### **CODE OF RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP**

Council is committed to the objective of promoting responsible dog ownership and has adopted the following code which requires dog owners to:

- Ensure that the dog is kept under control at all times
- Ensure that the dog is registered in accordance with the Dog Control Act 2000, with a financial incentive provided for owners to de-sex dogs that are not being kept for intentional breeding purposes
- Ensure that the dog receives necessary care and attention in accordance with good veterinary practice, and is supplied with adequate food, water and shelter.
- Ensure that the dog receives adequate exercise
- Take all reasonable steps to ensure that the dog does not cause a nuisance to any other person, whether by persistent or loud barking/ howling or by any other means.
- Take all reasonable steps to ensure that the dog does not injure, endanger, intimidate, or otherwise cause distress to any person
- Take all reasonable steps to ensure that the dog does not injure, endanger, or cause distress to any stock, poultry, domestic animal, or protected wildlife
- Take all reasonable steps to ensure that the dog does not damage or endanger any property belonging to any other person

 Comply with all regulations under the Dog Control Act 2000, including the requirement for the person in charge of a dog to immediately remove and dispose of faeces left by the dog in a public place or in a place not owned by the person

#### **EDUCATION**

Council will make available a pamphlet which includes information on:

- the requirements of the Dog Control Act 2000
- the code of responsible dog ownership
- the role and function of Council and Council's responsibilities to the community regarding dog management
- services available to assist community members to be responsible dog owners

Council Officers will, upon request, visit local schools to make presentations to students on dog ownership issues and responsibilities.

#### **MUNICIPAL DOG POUND**

Council will operate a Municipal dog pound in accordance with the requirements of the Dog Control Act 2000.

Every effort will be made to secure an alternative home for dogs admitted and not claimed, however, dogs will be euthanased as a last resort when required.

The information pamphlet will include encouragement for dog owners to contact Council in the event of losing their dog. Such action aims to facilitate the reuniting of impounded dogs with owners.

#### **FEES**

Council strives to set dog registration fees that are affordable by dog owners, yet provide a return for the costs associated with the delivery of dog control services.

Dog owners will be encouraged to register their dogs early in the financial year. Encouragement in this regard will be offered by the way of a discount if registration fees are paid prior to the 31 July each year.

In developing registration fees each year Council will utilise the following principles:

- Owners of sterilized dogs will be levied an amount as affordable as possible
- Owners who choose not to sterilise dogs (either male or female) will be required to pay a higher level of fees
- Pensioners will be provided with an opportunity to register their first dog at a discounted rate
- Owners with an I.D. card from an approved Training Institute who keep either guide dogs, hearing dogs or companion dogs are not charged

- Owners of dogs kept for breeding purposes and registered with the TCA will be levied a
  fee that recognises the purpose for which they are kept. The fee will, however, be
  discounted from that which would normally apply to an entire animal
- Owners of Greyhounds registered with the Tasmanian Greyhound Racing Board will be provided with an opportunity to register the animal at a discounted rate
- Owners of working dogs will be provided with an opportunity to register the animal at a discounted rate

Owners seeking concessional registration (ie. pensioners or owners of sterilised or greyhound dogs) may need to produce written evidence of eligibility as prescribed in the Act. In the case of working dogs, a demonstration of working stock may be required. Breeders must produce a current Stud Prefix issued by the TCA.

Council will set its dog fees at its ordinary Council meeting held in May of each year. The fees will be advertised and standard renewal notices will be provided to all those who have registered a dog previously.

Council will undertake a full audit of dogs in the municipal area every 5 years.

#### **DECLARED AREAS**

Under the Act, Council can declare dog exercise areas on land solely under the jurisdiction of the Council, where dogs can be exercised off the lead if under effective control at all times.

The exercise areas are:

Prospect: Pitcher Parade (western side of Wetlands area)
Hadspen: River Reserve from Foote Street to Browne Street

Westbury: part of Town Common

Deloraine: part of Deloraine Community Complex site

#### 5. Legislation

Dog Control Act 2000

#### 6. Responsibility

Responsibility for the operation of the policy rests with the Director, Community and Development Services."

The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Connor, Kelly, King, Mackenzie, Perkins, Richardson, Synfield, Temple and White voting for the motion.

## 155/2017 2016-2017 ANNUAL PLAN – QUARTERLY REVIEW – JUNE 2017

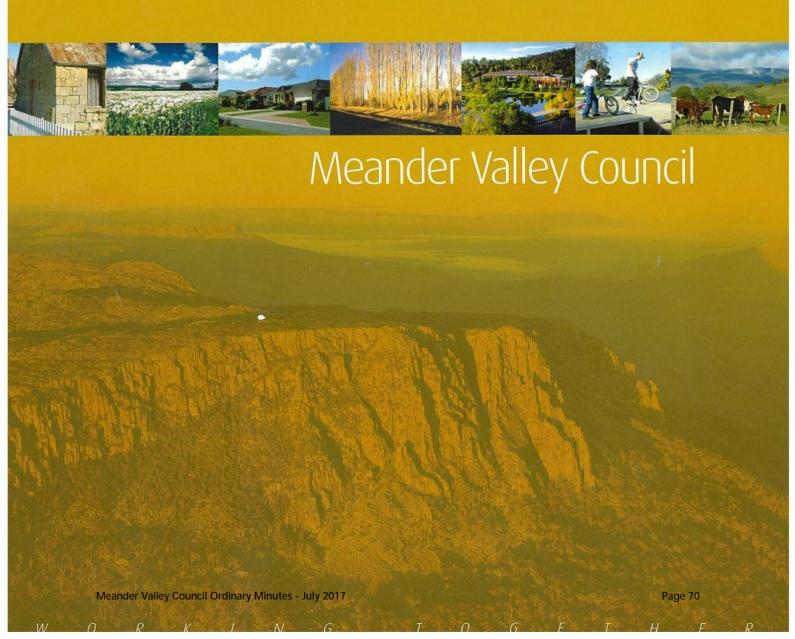
### 1) Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the June quarterly review of the Annual Plan.

#### 2) Recommendation

It is recommended that Council receive and note the Annual Plan review for the June 2017 quarter as follows:





## Meander Valley Council Annual Plan 2016-2017

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#### **Overview**

The Annual Plan outlines the programs and services Council intends to deliver throughout the year. These programs and services comprise new and upgraded services, replacing existing or simply maintaining what already exists.

The coming year will see Council deliver the following projects -

- Plan and implement Waste Management Strategy Action Plan;
- Prepare Local Provision Schedules for inclusion in the new Tasmanian Planning Scheme;
- Continue to implement and further develop the Hadspen Urban Growth Plan;
- Develop further stormwater system management plans in line with the risk assessment action plan;
- Deliver projects identified in the Prospect Vale/Blackstone Heights Structure Plan and Hadspen, Westbury and Deloraine Outline Development Plans;
- In conjunction with the other northern councils, undertake the delivery of the Northern Tasmania Street Light Program to replace existing street lights with light emitting diode (LED) lights.
- Continue with a variety of projects to reduce energy consumption and improve energy efficiencies across Council and Meander Valley communities.

Council will undertake a regular inspection program for Place of Assembly and Food Premises Licences, and co-ordinate immunisation clinics.

There is an ongoing commitment to continue Council's involvement in the Northern Tasmania Development to deliver the Regional Futures Plan.

Along with other councils in the region, Council will participate in a service delivery benchmarking project, which will be used to identify opportunities for shared services or resource sharing between councils. This project will conform to the State Government's criteria for local government reform and improved service delivery.

Once again an extensive Capital Works Program, valued at \$10.297 million, will be delivered. The value of the works approved is in line with the projections in the Long Term Financial Plan, with \$3.06 million of this figure being allocated to building new and upgraded infrastructure. Council will also deliver \$ 2.612 million in additional Australian Government Grants for roads and bridges.

#### **Fast Facts about the Meander Valley**

Rateable assessments

Capital value of properties

Adjusted Assessed annual value of properties

Residential population (estimate)

Geographical area

**Number of Councillors** 

Sealed Roads

**Unsealed Roads** 

**Bridges** 

9,883

\$3,204,558,600

\$150,410,742

19,686

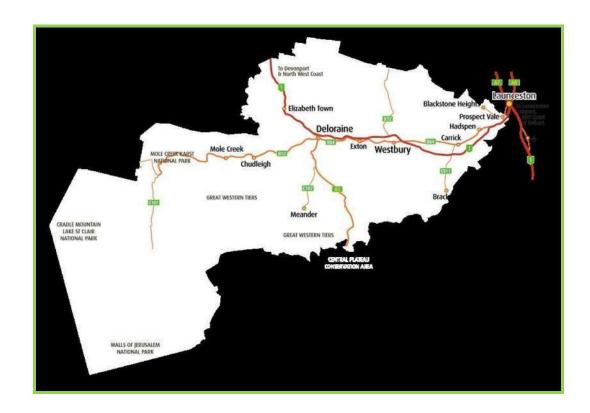
3,821 sq kms

9

564kms

257kms

223



Meander Valley is a large and diverse area of Tasmania's northern region, which offers an assortment of enticing lifestyle opportunities. The varying landscape ranges from alpine mountain peaks to extensively forested areas, productive agricultural lands, historic towns and villages, and the urban community of Launceston. There are abundant small businesses and major enterprises, such as Country Club Tasmania and Tasmanian Alkaloids which offer great employment prospects to locals.

The Meander Valley skyline is dominated by the mountains of the Great Western Tiers and World Heritage Area, which form a dramatic backdrop to a rural landscape that in many areas is divided by traditional English hedges. Small townships and villages are found throughout the area. The seamless combination of mountains and rural landscapes, villages and townships gives Meander Valley it's unique look and feel; something that visitors recognise as distinctly Tasmanian.

# **Budget Estimates**

	2015-2016	2016-2017
Revenue:		
Rate Revenue	10,832,600	11,286,500
Fees and User Charges	1,119,300	1,101,700
Contributions and Donations	350,600	311,800
Interest	961,300	907,300
Grants and Subsidies	6,093,200	6,960,500
Other Revenue	995,900	1,013,200
Total Operating Revenue:	20,352,900	21,581,000
Operating Expenditure:		
Employee Costs	6,028,000	6,150,000
Maintenance and Working Expenses	6,054,400	6,155,200
Interest on Loans	311,300	271,300
Depreciation	4,963,400	4,961,000
Payments to Government Authorities	1,028,600	1,075,600
Other Payments	236,300	245,000
Total Operating Expenditure:	18,622,000	18,858,100
Operating Surplus/Deficit:	1,730,900	2,722,900
Underlying Surplus/(Deficit)	839,900	1,796,700
Capital Expenditure	8,862,000	15,033,100
Repayment of Loans:		
Asset Sales:	215,000	215,000
Closing Cash Balance:	19,360,115	13,586,500
Net assets:	232,800,000	241,089,300

# **Rates and Charges**

The following rates and charges will apply for 2016-2017:

General rate:	All rateable properties are applied a General Rate of 6.0078 cents
	in the \$ of AAV with a minimum charge of \$135.
Waste Management:	For properties without a kerbside collection service the charge is \$46.
	For each separate service where kerbside garbage and/or green-waste
	and recycling collection is provided the charge is \$176 for the
	standard collection of one 80L mobile garbage bin and one mobile
	recycling bin or \$204 for the extra capacity collection of one140L
	mobile garbage bin and one mobile recycling bin or \$362 for one
	240L mobile garbage and one mobile recycling bin.
Fire Levies:	All properties within the municipal area are rated based on the income
	requirements of the State Fire Commission.
	Properties within the Launceston Permanent Brigade District are
	applied a rate of 1.4034 cents in the \$ of AAV with a minimum of \$38.
	Properties within the Volunteer Brigade Districts are applied a rate of
	0.3931 cents in the \$ of AAV with a minimum of \$38.
	All other properties are applied a rate of 0.3614 cents in the \$ of AAV
	with a minimum of \$38.
Payment Method:	Ratepayers are provided with the option of paying their rates in full,
	with no discount for early payment, or paying their rates in four
	approximately equal instalments due on 31 August 2016, 31 October
	2015, 31 January 2017 and 31 March 2017.
Penalties for late	Any late payment of rates and charges will be subject to daily interest
payment:	at a rate equivalent to 7.50% per annum (2c per \$100 per day).

Council's rating policy No 77 is available on the website www.meander.tas.gov.au

# S U M M A R Y June 2017 Quarterly Review

Area	Achieved	In Progress	Deferred			
1. Governance	35	1	3			
2. Corporate Services	18	0	0			
3. Infrastructure Services	28	1	1			
4. Development Services	13	2	0			
5. Works	11	0	0			
6. Economic Development	7	2	0			
OVERALL TOTALS	112	6	4			
Aution Deficitions for Description Description						

Action Definitions for Reporting Purposes: Ongoing; In Progress; Achieved; Cancelled; Deferred; Not Achieved

# **POLICY REVIEW**

POLICY REVIEWS	Audit Panel By 28/6	Council By 30/09	Audit Panel By 22/12	Council By 31/12	Audit Panel By 23/3	Council By 31/3	Audit Panel By	Council By 30/6
<ul> <li>Governance:</li> <li>Vandalism Reduction Incentive</li> <li>Councillors Expense Entitlements</li> <li>Community Organisations Regulatory Fees Refund Scheme</li> <li>Management of Public Art</li> </ul>	21	21	24	24	80	80	75	75
<ul> <li>Corporate Services:</li> <li>Recreation Facilities Pricing</li> <li>Rates and Charges</li> </ul>	77	77	56	56				
<ul> <li>Infrastructure Services:</li> <li>Stock Underpasses on Council Roads</li> <li>Reimbursement for Disposal of Materials at Tip Sites</li> <li>Driveway Crossovers</li> <li>Infrastructure Contributions</li> <li>Asset Management</li> </ul>	2 4	2 4	15	15	20 60	20 60		
<ul> <li>Development Services:</li> <li>Building Approval in incomplete Subdivisions</li> <li>Public Open Space Contributions</li> <li>Building Plans and Approval Lists</li> <li>Private Timber Reserves</li> </ul>			22	22	6	6	11	11 36

Dog Management					43	43
<ul> <li>Adhesion Orders</li> </ul>	62	62				
Street Dining and Vending	72	72				
Works:						
• Nil						
<b>Economic Development and</b>						
Sustainability						
• Conservation Covenant Incentive Scheme	74	74				
Industrial Land Development	76	76				
Social Media					81	81

# **DOCUMENT REVIEW**

OPERATION Document Reviews	By 30 September	By 31 December	By 31 March	By 30 June
Governance:				
Style Manual		Style Manual		
Delegations			Delegations	
Special Committees of Council		Special Committees of Council		
Customer Service Charter				Customer Service Charter
Corporate Services:				Human Resource
Human Resource Policy Manual				Policy Manual
Infrastructure Services:				
Nil				
<b>Development Services:</b>				
Nil				
Works:				
Nil				
<b>Economic Development and</b>				
Sustainability				
Nil				

### Due for review (other than annually):

Business Continuity Plan (next full review 2018/19)

Code of Tendering and Contracts (every four years, next review 2018/19)

Human Resource Policy Manual (every 3 years – next review 2016/17)

Public Interest Disclosures Act 2002 - Model Procedures (every three years, next review 2017/18)

Code of Conduct (within 12-months of an ordinary election, next review after 2018 local government elections)

Customer Service Charter (biennial, next review 2016/17)

Meander Valley Community Safety Plan 2015 -2017 (every 3 years – next review 2017/18)

Sport and Recreation Action Plan 2012-2015 (every 3 years – next review 2018/19)

Municipal Emergency Management Plan (every 2 years – next review 2017/18)

Economic Development Strategy 2012-2017 (every 5 years – next review 2017/18)

Strategic Asset Management Plan (every 4 years – next review 2019/20)

Evacuation Plans for Council Buildings (every 5 years – next review 2019/20)

External WH&S Audit (every 3 years – next review 2018/19)

#### Due for review annually

Style Manual
Delegations
Special Committees of Council

# **Governance and Community Services**

Directorate	1. Governance & Community Services	Program number and title	1.1 Secretarial and Administrative support	
Program Objective	o undertake functions to ensure compliance with legislative requirements			

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Deliver Annual Plan	Prepare quarterly	Prepare quarterly	Prepare quarterly	Prepare quarterly
		review	review	review	review. Prepare
					2017/18 Annual Plan
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Prepare Annual Report	Complete draft for	Complete report		
		printing	and present at		
			AGM		
		Achieved	Achieved		
3	Conduct Annual General Meeting (AGM)		Advertise, organise		
			and conduct AGM		
			Achieved		
4	Prepare Council Meeting Agendas and Minutes, Briefing Reports and Workshop	Prepare for each	Prepare for	Prepare for each	Prepare for each
	Agendas	meeting	each	meeting	meeting
			meeting		
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
5	Policy Review	Review as per schedule	Review as per schedule	Review as per schedule	Review as per
					schedule
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
6	Conduct Australia Day (AD) event	Review AD criteria.	Assess	Conduct a civic	
		Call for nominations	nominations.	function on AD	
			Plan civic function		
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	
7	Operations Document Review	Review as per	Review as per	Review as per	Review as per
		schedule	Schedule	schedule	schedule

	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	N/A	MVC	Personal Assistant
2	\$3,000	MVC	Personal Assistant
3	N/A	MVC	Personal Assistant
4	N/A	MVC	Personal Assistant
5	N/A	MVC	General Manager
6	\$5,000	MVC	Personal Assistant
7	N/A	MVC	General Manager

No.	Performance target
4	Agenda is prepared and distributed 4 days before each Council meeting. Draft meeting minutes are completed and distributed within 4 days of each Council meeting
5	Policies reviewed by Council
7	Documents reviewed by Council

Directorate	1. Governance & Community Services	Program number and title	1.2 Risk Management
Program Objective	Minimise risk to our people and the public		

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Implement Risk Management Framework	Review the	Action the	Action the	Action the
		framework	framework	framework	framework
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Implement the Internal Audit Program	Review of Audit	Conduct Audit	Review of Audit	Conduct Audit
		outcomes	Achieved	outcomes	
		Achieved		Achieved	Deferred
3	Conduct Risk Management Committee meeting	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
4	Business Continuity Plan (BCP)			Yearly review and	
				update	
				Achieved	
5	Co-ordinate functions of the Audit Panel	Conduct meeting as		Conduct two	Conduct meeting as
		per Audit Schedule		meetings as per	per Audit Schedule
				Audit Schedule	
		Achieved		Achieved	Achieved

#### **Resource requirements**

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	N/A	MVC	Director Gov and CS
2	N/A	MVC	Director Gov and CS
3	N/A	MVC	Director Gov and CS
4	N/A	MVC	Director Gov and CS
5	\$15,000	MVC and independent resource	Director Gov and CS

Directorate	1. Governance & Community Services	Program number and title	1.3 Employee Health and Safety Management
Program Objective	To provide a safe place of work for our people a	and to measur	e and monitor our employer obligations.

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
			31/12		
1	Health and Safety Committee operation	Conduct quarterly	Conduct quarterly	Conduct quarterly	Conduct quarterly
		meeting	meeting	meeting	meeting
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Conduct Driver training course	Organise course	Course held	Review effectiveness	
		Achieved	Achieved	of course	
				Achieved	
3	Deliver a Health and Wellbeing Program	Conduct quarterly	Conduct quarterly	Conduct quarterly	Conduct quarterly
		meeting and	meeting and	meeting and	meeting and
		implement	implement	implement	implement
		programs	programs	programs	programs
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
4	Conduct emergency evacuation drills		Conduct drill –		Conduct drill –
			Council Office and		Council Office and
			GWTVC		GWTVC
			Achieved		Achieved
5	Conduct Staff Survey	Implement Action	Issue survey	Report to staff on	
		Plan		results of survey.	
				Prepare action plan	
		Achieved	Deferred	Deferred	
6	Workplace Consultative Committee operation	Conduct quarterly	Conduct quarterly	Conduct quarterly	Conduct quarterly
		meeting	meeting	meeting	meeting

	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
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7	Review Evacuation Plans				Review Plans
					Achieved
8	Conduct pre-start review of safety systems and verification by worksite	Conduct reviews	Conduct reviews	Conduct reviews	Conduct reviews
	inspection	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	N/A	MVC	Director Gov and CS and H and S Committee
2	\$2,500	Contract	Director Gov and CS and H and S Committee
3	\$15,000	MVC and Contract	Director Gov and CS and H and Wellbeing Committee
4	N/A	MVC	Director Gov and CS and Fire Wardens
5	\$4,000	MVC and Contract	General Manager
6	N/A	MVC	General Manager
7	N/A	MVC	Director Gov and CS/Fire Wardens/Property
			Management Officer
8	N/A	MVC	Work Health and Safety Officer

Directorate	1. Governance & Community Services	Program number and title	1.4 Other Governance Functions
Program Objective	To provide good governance		

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Participation in Northern Tasmania Development Corporation Ltd (NTDC)	Attend NTDC Local	Attend NTDC Local	Attend NTDC Local	Attend NTDC Local
		Government	Government	Government	Government
		Committee Meeting	Committee Meeting	Committee Meeting	Committee Meeting
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Convene meetings of the Customer Service Group	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
3	Convene meetings of the Merit User Group	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
4	Provide support to the Townscape Reserves and Parks Special Committee	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting and	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting
	(TRAP)	and report on	report on outcomes	and report on	and report on
		outcomes		outcomes	outcomes
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
5	Review Council's Delegation Register		Review register		
			Achieved		
6	Prepare Human Resources Plan			Prepare	Begin consultation
				framework for	with staff
				Plan	
				Deferred	Deferred
7	Participate in benchmarking project with other Councils in the northern	Engage a consultant	Deliver report to	Develop future	Develop future
	region	to undertake project	Council	Action Plan	Action Plan
		Achieved	In Progress	In Progress	Achieved
8	Conduct Community Satisfaction Survey				Conduct survey
					Achieved

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	\$62,000	MVC	General Manager
2	N/A	MVC	Director Gov and CS
3	N/A	MVC	Director Gov and CS
4	N/A	MVC	Director Gov and CS
5	N/A	MVC and Consultant	General Manager
6	N/A	MVC	General Manager
7	\$12,000	MVC and Consultant	General Manager
8	\$8,000	Consultant	Director Gov and CS

Directorate	1. Governance & Community Services	Program number and title	1.5 Community Development
Program Objective	Working with the community for the benefit of a	all	

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Facilitate the operation of the Meander Valley Community Safety Group	Conduct meeting and report on progress Achieved	Conduct meeting and report on progress Achieved	Conduct meeting and report on progress  Achieved	Conduct meeting and report on progress Achieved
2	Deliver the Community Grants Program	Acquit Round 1 and advertise  Achieved	Acquit Round 2 and advertise  Achieved	Acquit Round 3 and advertise  Achieved	Acquit Final Round and advertise Conduct Grants Information Forum Achieved
3	Conduct the Meandering Art Exhibition	Establish Schools artist in residence workshops	Conduct Meandering exhibition  Achieved	Evaluate Meandering Exhibition and Schools artist in residence workshops Achieved	Advertise Schools'
4	Support Positive Ageing Programs	Report on progress <b>Achieved</b>	Report on progress <b>Achieved</b>	Report on progress <b>Achieved</b>	Report on progress  Achieved
5	Develop and manage the Public Arts Policy	Report on progress Achieved	Report on progress Achieved	Report on progress Achieved	Report on progress Achieved
6	Provide Strategic Business and Planning assistance to community groups	Report on progress Achieved	Report on progress Achieved	Report on progress  Achieved	Report on progress  Achieved

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer	
1	\$1,000	MVC/DIER	Community Development Manager	
2	\$87,000	MVC	Community Development Manager/Admin support	
3	\$5,000	MVC	Community Development Manager/Personal Assistant	
4	\$2,000	MVC	Community Development Manager	
5	N/A	MVC	Community Development Manager	
6	N/A	MVC	Community Development Manager	

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No.	Performance target
1	Meetings held and goals achieved
2	Number and range of grant applications
3	Number of schools and artists participating
4	Range of programs delivered
5	Meetings held and goals achieved
6	Number of planning assistances undertaken

Directorate	1. Governance & Community Services	Program number and title	1.6 Services To Young people	
Program Objective	To address and support the needs of young peo	people through responsive and participatory approaches		

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Conduct School Holiday Program	Conduct and	Conduct and report	Conduct and report	Conduct and report
		report	In Progress	Achieved	Evaluate overall
		Achieved			outcomes
					Achieved
2	Conduct Stepping Stones Camps	Conduct program	Conduct program	Conduct program	Conduct program
			Achieved	Achieved	and evaluate overall
		Achieved			outcomes
					Achieved
3	Conduct Community Recreation Leaders' Award Program (subject to	Conduct tutored	Report on progress	Report on progress	Evaluate outcomes
	numbers)	program			
		In Progress	n Progress	In Progress	In Progress
4	Conduct 'National Youth Week' Event			Prepare and	Conduct event
				advertise event	
				Achieved	Achieved
5	Facilitate outdoor recreation programs	Conduct program	Conduct program	Conduct program	Conduct program
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

## **Resource requirements**

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer				
1	\$4,000	MVC/DHHS/Contract	Community Officer/Community Development				
			Manager/Recreation Coordinator				
2	\$10,000	MVC and Contract	Community Officer				
3	\$2,000	MVC	Community Officer/Community Development				
			Manager				
4	\$2,000	MVC/DPAC	Community Officer				
5	\$13,000	MVC and Contract	Community Officer				

No.	Performance target
1	Programs conducted and evaluated
2	Camps conducted and evaluated
3	Program conducted and evaluated
4	Event conducted and evaluated
5	Program conducted and evaluated

Directorate	1. Governance & Community Services	Program number and title	1.7 Recreation and Sport Services	
Program Objective	To provide current and future recreation and sp	n and sport programs and facilities		

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Support the operation of the Recreation Co-Ordination Group	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Co-ordinate usage and promotion of Prospect Vale Park and Hadspen Recreation Ground	Conduct all users meeting	Liaise with User Groups	Conduct all users meeting	Liaise with User Groups
	Recreation Ground	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
3	Research and produce an Outdoor Recreation Facilities User Guide for Prospect Vale Park and Hadspen Memorial Centre	Draft User Guide for each venue	Liaise with users and test User Guide	Roll-out User Guide to seasonal and casual users and on- line	Review and evaluate effectiveness
		In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress

#### **Resource requirements**

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer	
1	N/A	MVC	Recreation Officer	
2	N/A	MVC	Recreation Officer	
3	\$1,000	MVC	Recreation Coordinator	

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No.	Performance target
1	Meeting held and goals achieved
2	User meeting held and goals achieved
3	User Guide produced and evaluated

Directorate	1. Governance & Community Services	Program number and title	1.8 Indoor Recreation Facilities Management		
Program Objective	To provide indoor facilities for recreational, social purpose	social and community based activities that are safe, comfortable and fit fo			

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Operate the Deloraine Community Complex, Meander Valley Performing Arts	Operate facilities	Operate facilities	Operate	Operate facilities and
	Centre and Westbury Sports Centre on a 7-day per week basis	and report to	and report to	facilities and	report to
		performance	performance	report to	performance targets
		targets	targets	performance	
				targets	
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Produce Indoor Recreation Facilities Management annual report and annual budget	Produce			Review fees and
	including fees review	operations report			produce annual
					budget
		Achieved			Achieved
3	Develop a strategy and implement to promote and market indoor recreation	Develop and	Conduct all users	Review	Conduct all users
	facilities to current and prospective users	implement	meeting	strategy	meeting
		strategy			
		In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
4	Research and produce and Indoor Recreation Facilities User Guide for Deloraine	Draft User Guide	Liaise with users	Roll-out User	Review and evaluate
	Community Complex, Meander Valley Performing Arts Centre and Westbury Sports	for each venue	and test User	Guide to	effectiveness
	Centre		Guide	season and	
				casual users	
				and on-line	
		In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	Achieved
5	Research and design a pilot Meander Valley VET Work Placement Program at the		Complete research	Complete Pilot	Review and evaluate
	Westbury Sports Centre and associated local venues		and design	Program	effectiveness
			In Progress	In Progress	Achieved

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	\$242,000	MVC	Recreation Coordinator
2	N/A	MVC	Recreation Coordinator
3	N/A	MVC	Recreation Coordinator
4	\$1,000	MVC	Recreation Coordinator
5	\$2,000	MVC	Recreation Coordinator

No.	Performance target
1	Provide statistical reports on the usage and availability to Council through the Briefing Report
2	Complete operations report and budget
3	Complete strategy and hold all user meetings
4	User Guide produced and evaluated
5	Pilot Program conducted and evaluated

# **Corporate Services**

Directorate	2. Corporate Services	Program number and title	2.1 Financial Services
Program Objective	Responsibly manage the Council's core financia	activities	

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Raise Rates and Sundry Debtor accounts	Achieve activity	Achieve activity	Achieve activity	Achieve activity
		performance target	performance target	performance target	performance target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Complete State Authority returns	Initial State Fire and			Final State Fire and
		Treasury pensioner			Treasury pensioner
		claims and Annual			claims
		State Fire Levy data			
		return			
		Achieved			Achieved
3	Issue Section 132 certificates (Property Rates)	Achieve activity	Achieve activity	Achieve activity	Achieve activity
		performance target	performance target	performance target	performance target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
4	Arrange annual insurance renewals		Crime Insurance	Directors and	Annual renewals as per
			(Fidelity Guarantee	Officers and	schedule incl. Public
			renewal)	Employment	Liability and PI, ISR,
				Practices renewal	Workers Comp. and
					MV
			Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
5	Reconciliation of Control Accounts	Achieve activity	Achieve activity	Achieve activity	Achieve activity
		performance target	performance target	performance target	performance target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	N/A	MVCr	Rates Officer
2	N.A	MVC	Rates Officer
3	N/A	/A MVC Rates Officer	
4	\$250,000	MVC	Finance Officer and Director Corporate Services
5	N/A	MVC	Senior Accountant

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No.	Performance target			
1	<ul> <li>Issue Rates notices before 31st July 2016</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Issue Sundry Debtor notices within 10 working days of receipt of request</li> </ul>			
3	<ul> <li>Issue 98% of Section 132 Certificates within 3 working days of entry of request</li> </ul>			
5	<ul> <li>Reconcile rates, sundry debtor and creditors control accounts within 10 working days of the month end</li> </ul>			
	Reconcile Payroll within 5 working days of processing.			

Directorate	2. Corporate Services	Program number and title	2.2 Financial Management & Reporting			
Program Objective	To comply with statutory requirements for Local meaningful reports for internal financial manage	l Government Finance, State and Federal Taxation and to provide				

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Review and present the Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) to Council				Review and
					present the LTFP
					to Council
					Achieved
2	Coordinate the development and adoption of Budget and Rating			Determine budget	Present budget,
	recommendations with statutory timeframes			update program	fees and charges
					to Council in June
				Achieved	Achieved
3	Annual external reporting	Produce Statutory			Prepare end of
		Accounts and			year timetable for
		complete KPI			Statutory
		consolidated data			Accounts and
		sheets			Audit
		Achieved			Achieved
4	Issue BAS, FBT and Payroll Tax returns within legislative timeframes	Submit BAS and	Submit BAS and	Submit BAS and	Submit BAS and
		Payroll Tax returns on	Payroll Tax returns	Payroll Tax returns	Payroll Tax returns
		time	on time	on time	on time
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
5	Provide internal financial management reports on a timely basis for decision	Achieve activity	Achieve activity	Achieve activity	Achieve activity
	making	performance target	performance target	performance target	performance target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
6	Monitor Council's short-term expenditure commitments and invest funds in	Review cash flow	Review cash flow	Review cash flow	Review cash flow
	accordance with Council's Investment policy	weekly to determine	weekly to determine	weekly to determine	weekly to
		funds for investment	funds for	funds for	determine funds
			investment	investment	for investment
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	N/A	MVC	Senior Accountant
2	N/A	MVC Director Corporate Services	
3	N/A	MVC Senior Accountant	
4	N/A	MVC Senior Accountant	
5	N/A	MVC Senior Accountant	
6	N/A	MVC	Senior Accountant

No.	Perfo	ormance target
5	-	<ul> <li>Produce and distribute ongoing project expenditure reports</li> </ul>
	-	<ul> <li>Produce and distribute monthly operating statements within 10 working days of end of month</li> </ul>
	-	<ul> <li>Submit September, December and March quarterly financial reports to Council in Oct 2016, Jan 2017 and April 2017 respectively</li> </ul>

Directorate	2. Corporate Services	Program number and title	2.3 Information Technology		
Program Objective	Provide reliable and effective information technology	nnology services for the organisation			

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by	Complete by 30/6
				31/3	
1	Maintenance and upgrade of IT infrastructure	Commence rolling	Complete rolling		
		replacement of PC's	replacement of PC's.		
		Achieved			
			Achieved		
2	Consider and prioritise recommendations for implementing following the	Finalise plan and	Prioritise and	Complete priority	Review priorities and
	review of the IT disaster recovery plans	recommended actions	commence actions	actions within	formulate budget to
			within budget	budget allocations	complete
			allocations		
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

**Resource requirements** 

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No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer		
1	\$25,000	MVC	IT Officer		
2	\$40,000	MVC/IT Contractor	IT Officer		

Directorate	2. Corporate Services	Program number and title	2.4 Information Management
Program Objective	Effectively manage and maintain Council's inform	mation resour	ce

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Maintenance of Council's cemetery records in accordance with the	Maintain records in	Maintain records in	Maintain records in	Maintain records in
	Cemeteries Act	accordance with	accordance with	accordance with	accordance with
		legislation	legislation	legislation	legislation
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Annual Archive Disposal	Arrange for			List documents due
		removal of			for disposal
		documents due			
		for disposal			
		Achieved			Achieved
3	Action Project and Improvement Ideas - Annual Plan	Document and	Commence identified	Continue with	Report on status of
		prioritise	priority projects	priority projects	projects
		improvement			
		projects			
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

# Resource requirements

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	N/A	MVC	Information Management Officer
2	N/A	MVC	Information Management Officer
3	N/A	MVC	Information Management Officer

Directorate	2. Corporate Services	Program number and title	2.5 Human Resources
Program Objective	Effectively manage and support Council's human	n resources	

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Review 2016 Enterprise Agreement	Review increases and apply across new scale and allowances.			Review CPI percentage to determine increase <b>Achieved</b>
2	Implementation of LGAT Workplace Behaviours Policy suite	Consult on Stage 2 policies  Deferred	Implement Stage 2 policies Achieved	Implement Stage 2 policies  Deferred	
3	Review existing Human Resources Policies and Procedures manual		Review existing policies not replaced by LGAT policy suite  Achieved	Update HR Policy Manual for policy document <b>Achieved</b>	
4	Coordinate training needs via Learning Management system	Report to Directors on quarterly training to be delivered	Update training plan following Performance Reviews. Report to Directors on quarterly training to be delivered	Report to Directors on quarterly training to be delivered	Report to Directors on quarterly training to be delivered
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

5	Performance Review System	Ensure all employee	Ensure all inside	Ensure all mini	Review the current
		performance reviews	employee salary	performance reviews	year's performance
		have been completed	reviews have	and all outside	reviews and
			been completed	employee	recommend any
				wage reviews have	changes required
				been completed	
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	N/A	MVC	HR/Payroll Officer
2	N/A	MVC	HR/Payroll Officer
3	N/A	MVC	HR/Payroll Officer
4	N/A	MVC	HR/Payroll Officer and Directors
5	N/A	MVC	HR/Payroll Officer and Directors

# **Infrastructure Services**

Directorate	3. Infrastructure Services	Program number and title	3.1 Emergency Services
Program Objective	To build capacity and resilience in the communi response to emergencies and lead in the recove	•	Council is prepared to assist with emergency services in the

# **Operational detail**

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Co-ordinate the Municipal Emergency Management and Recovery Committee (MEMRC)	Chair quarterly meeting <b>Achieved</b>	Chair quarterly meeting  Achieved	Chair quarterly meeting  Achieved	Chair quarterly meeting <b>Deferred</b>
2	Participate in Northern Regional Emergency Management Committee (NREMC)	Attend meeting  Achieved	Attend meeting Achieved	Attend meeting  Achieved	Attend meeting Achieved
3	Support the operation of the Meander Valley SES unit through ongoing management of the MOU		Briefing report to Council <b>Achieved</b>		Briefing report to Council <b>Achieved</b>
4	Conduct emergency management training facilitated by Red Cross		Complete training <b>Deferred</b>		Complete training <b>Achieved</b>
5	Review and update Emergency Management/Social Recovery contact list		Contact List updated Ongoing		

#### **Resource requirements**

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	N/A	MVC, MEMRC - Director Works, Administration Officer	Director Infrastructure Services
		Infrastructure Services, Community Development	
		Officer, Youth Development Officer, Councillors,	
		Community members	
2	N/A	MVC	Director Infrastructure Services
3	\$13,200	MVC and SES	Director Infrastructure Services

4	\$2,000	MVC and Rec Cross	Director Infrastructure Services
5	N/A	MVC	Administration Officer – Infrastructure Services

No.	Performance target
1	Meetings held
2	Attend meetings and report to MEMRC
3	Obtain activities report from Deloraine SES and provide information to Council on a 6 monthly basis in Briefing Reports

Directorate	3. Infrastructure Services	Program number and title	3.2 Transport
Program Objective	To maintain the serviceability and integrity of Council's transport network.		

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Deliver the bridge inspection and maintenance program	Manage contract	Manage contract	Manage contract	Manage contract
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Design, document, procurement, and supervision of contracts as per the	Report to program	Report to program	Report to program	Report to program
	specific projects listed in the 2016/2017 Capital Works Program	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
3	Undertake Council's responsibility as a road authority	Achieve activity	Achieve activity	Achieve activity	Achieve activity
	<ul> <li>Working in the road reserve permits</li> </ul>	performance targets	performance targets	performance targets	performance targets
	- Cross over applications	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
	<ul> <li>Applications from utility owners</li> </ul>				
	- NVHR and heavy vehicle management				
	- Rural addressing				
	- Supervision of subdivision construction				
4	Undertake footpath proactive defect inspections			Undertake required	Undertake required
				inspections	inspections
				In Progress	In Progress

# **Resource requirements**

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	\$31,500	MVC and Contractor	Senior Technical Officer - Engineering
2	Capital Works - \$7,153,300	MVC and Contractors	Director Infrastructure Services
3	N/A	MVC	Technical Officer & Senior Technical Officer – Engineering, Administration Officer – Infrastructure
			Services
4	N/A	MVC	Asset Management Coordinator and Works Department

No.	Performance target
1	Review of contractors compliance with the contract and hold meeting to discuss prioritisation of future bridge replacement projects
2	Development of project plans, delivery of projects in line with budget, time line, and scope
3	Private addressing applications completed within 10 business days, NHVR applications within 28 days, assess cross over applications within 10 business days
4	Meet timeframes set out by Conquest

Directorate	3. Infrastructure Services	Program number and title	3.3 Property Services
Program Objective	Operate property services in a safe and effective	e manner to sa	itisfy public demand.

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Operate Deloraine Swimming Pool and provide support to community swimming pools at Mole Creek and Caveside	Review and extend existing	Undertake pre- opening	Operate pool to 1 March	
	Wide Creek and Caveside	contract	inspection and	Achieved	
			required		
			maintenance.		
			Open pool 1		
			December		
		Achieved	Achieved		
2	Undertake Essential Health and Safety Features Inspections (Section 46) as per program	Undertake	Undertake	Undertake	Undertake
		inspection and	inspection and	inspection and	inspection and
		required	required	required	required
		maintenance	maintenance	maintenance	maintenance
_		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
3	Complete Annual Maintenance Statement (Section 56) and Asbestos Audit (NCOP)	Review		Carry out	
	compliance	Asbestos		annual	
		Register		inspections	
		In Progress		Achieved	
4	Co-ordinate building maintenance – general, reactive and programed	Undertake	Undertake	Undertake	Undertake
		required	required	required	required
		maintenance	maintenance	maintenance	maintenance
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

5	Property services – leasing, hire agreements, disputes, building valuations, and administration	Review agreements <b>In Progress</b>		Review agreements In Progress	
6	Design, document, procurement, and supervision of contracts as per the specific projects listed in the 2016-2017 Capital Works Program	Report to program  Achieved	Report to program  Achieved	Report to program  Achieved	Report to program  Achieved

# **Resource requirements**

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	\$65,000 MVC and Contractors Property Manage		Property Management Officer
2 N/A MVC Property Management Officer			Property Management Officer
3	N/A	MVC	Property Management Officer
4 N/A MVC and Contractors		MVC and Contractors	Property Management Officer
5	N/A	MVC	Property Management Officer
6	Capital Works - \$297,500	MVC and Contractors	Property Management Officer

No.	Performance target
1	Review of Contractors compliance with the contract
2	Meet timeframes set out by Conquest
3	Meet timeframes set out by Conquest
6	Development of project plans, delivery of projects in line with budget, time line, and scope

Directorate	3. Infrastructure Services	Program number and title	3.4 Parks & Recreation
Program Objective	To provide and maintain parks and recreation fa	icilities throughc	out the Local Government Area.

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by	Complete by	Complete by	Complete by
		30/9	31/12	31/3	30/6
1	Undertake inspections and condition assessments of all equipment and facilities	Undertake	Undertake	Undertake	Undertake
		required	required	required	required
		inspections	inspections	inspections	inspections
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Continue to develop and review the Strategic Plan for Council's open space areas		Report to		Report to
			program		program
			Achieved		Achieved
3	Design, document, procurement, and supervision of contracts as per the specific	Report to	Report to	Report to	Report to
	projects listed in the 2016/2017 Capital Works Program	program	program	program	program
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
4	Undertake elm leaf beetle treatment (3 yearly program)		Undertake		
			treatment		
			Achieved		

# **Resource requirements**

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer	
1	N/A	MVC, Works Department and Consultants Te		
2	N/A	MVC	Technical Officer (Open Space)	
3	Capital Works - \$345,000	MVC and Contractors	Technical Officer (Open Space)	
4	N/A	MVC	Technical Officer (Open Space), NRM Officer and	
			Works Supervisors	

No.	Performance target
1	Meet timeframes set out by Conquest. Annual comprehensive inspection completed by December 31
2	Provide information to Council in Briefing Reports
3	Development of project plans, delivery of projects in line with budget, time line, and scope
4	Complete treatment work by 31 December

Directorate	3. Infrastructure Services	Program number and title	3.5 Asset Management and GIS
Program Objective	Provision of Asset and GIS services to assist the	the operations of Council.	

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by	Complete by	Complete by	Complete by
		30/9	31/12	31/3	30/6
1	Co-ordinate Asset Management Group and Improvement Plan	Chair meeting	Chair meeting	Chair meeting	Chair meeting
	- Review Asset Management Plans	and action	and action	and action	and action
	- Undertake Conquest training and development	improvement	improvement	improvement	improvement
	- Integrate Strategic Planning outcomes into AMP and LTFP	program	program	program	program
	- Develop whole of organisation approach to AM	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Develop and operate a maintenance planning and delivery system	Provide monthly	Provide monthly	Provide monthly	Provide monthly
		Conquest report	Conquest report	Conquest report	Conquest report
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
3	Support Northern Asset Management Group	Chair meeting	Chair meeting	Chair meeting	Chair meeting
	- Attend IPWEA and NAMS committee meetings	and action	and action	and action	and action
		minutes	minutes	minutes	minutes
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
4	Prepare 2017/2018 Capital Works Program		Update	Prioritise and	Annual program
			Proposed	undertake	prepared for
			Projects list	further design	approval by
			Achieved	and cost	Council
				estimation	
				Achieved	Achieved
5	Update asset information including capitalisation of assets in Conquest and GIS and	Capitalisation of	Capitalisation of	Capitalisation of	Capitalisation of
	undertake road useful life assessment and building revaluations	assets and	assets and	assets and	assets and
		recording in	recording in	recording in	recording in
		Conquest and	Conquest and	Conquest and	Conquest and
		GIS	GIS	GIS	GIS
		In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	Achieved
6	Manage GIS Group – Planning, NRM, Assets, Stormwater	Chair meeting	Chair meeting	Chair meeting	Chair meeting
		and distribute	and distribute	and distribute	and distribute
		minutes	minutes	minutes	minutes

		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
7	Undertake additional survey of stormwater assets and update GIS				Complete by 30
					June
					Achieved

# **Resource requirements**

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	N/A	MVC	Asset Management Coordinator
2	N/A	MVC	Asset Management Coordinator
3	N/A	MVC	Asset Management Coordinator
4	N/A	MVC	Asset Management Coordinator
5	\$35,000	MVC and Contractors	Asset Management Coordinator and Property+
			Management Officer
6	N/A	MVC	Senior Technical Officer - Engineering
7	\$20,000	MVC and Contractors	Senior Technical Officer - Engineering

No.	Performance target
4	To prepare annual Capital Works Program for approval at May Council meeting
5	Asset information to be recorded within four weeks of receipt by Asset Management Coordinator

Directorate	3. Infrastructure Services Progrumber		3.6 Waste Management and Resource Recovery		
Program Objective	To provide adequate, efficient, and affordable waste	To provide adequate, efficient, and affordable waste services within Meander Valley Local Government Area			

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Implement Waste Management Strategy and Action Plan	Action the Plan Ongoing	Action the Plan Ongoing	Action the Plan Ongoing	Action the Plan Ongoing
2	Support Northern Tasmanian Waste Management Group activities through a 5% landfill levy	Attend meetings	Attend meetings	Attend meetings Achieved	Attend meetings Achieved
		Achieved	Achieved		
3	Provision of kerbside collection contracts for waste, recyclables, and organics	Supervise Contract Achieved	Supervise Contract Achieved	Supervise Contract Achieved	Supervise Contract Achieved
4	Provision of landfill, waste transfer stations and resource recovery operations contract	Supervise Contract Achieved	Supervise Contract Achieved	Supervise Contract Achieved	Supervise Contract Achieved
5	Provision of hard waste collection		Undertake collection  Achieved		
6	Design, document, procurement, and supervision of contracts as per the specific	Report to	Report to	Report to	Report to
	projects listed in the 2016-2017 Capital Works Program	program	program	program	program
		Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing	Achieved
7	Operational compliance with Environment Protection Notice for Westbury and	Ground and		Ground and	
	Deloraine landfill sites.	surface water		surface water	
		monitoring		monitoring	
		Annual Report to			
		EPA			
		Achieved		Achieved	

# **Resource requirements**

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer	
1	N/A	MVC and Consultants	Director Infrastructure Services and Senior Technical	
			Officer - Engineering	
2	\$65,000	MVC	Senior Technical Officer - Engineering	
3	\$500,000	MVC and Contractor	Senior Technical Officer - Engineering	
4	\$470,000	MVC and Contractor	Director Infrastructure Services and Senior Technical	
			Officer - Engineering	
5	\$20,000	MVC and Contractor	Senior Technical Officer - Engineering	
6	Capital Works - \$310,000	MVC and Contractors	Senior Technical Officer - Engineering	
7	\$22,000	MVC and Consultants	Senior Technical Officer - Engineering	

No.	Performance target		
2	Attend regional meetings as scheduled and manage the operation of the landfill levy		
3	Supervise and review contract		
4	Supervise and review contract		
6	Development of project plans, delivery of projects in line with budget, time line, and scope		

Directorate	3. Infrastructure Services	Program number and title	3.7 Stormwater Management		
Program Objective	To minimize the risk of flooding and provide clean water into the region's waterways.				
	network (pipes and pits) that is capable of meet	ough the Urban Drains Act and the Local Government (Highways) Act targets is to provide a minor stormwater ipes and pits) that is capable of meeting a 5% Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) and a major stormwater verland flows and roads) that is capable of meeting a 1% AEP.			
	Water quality is managed through Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD).				

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by	Complete by	Complete by	Complete by
		30/9	31/12	31/3	30/6
1	Develop stormwater system management plans	Report on	Report on	Report on	Report on
		progress	progress	progress	progress
		Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing
2	Manage MVC Stormwater Taskforce – Infra, Works, NRM, Plumbing, EHO	Chair meeting and	Chair meeting and	Chair meeting and	Chair meeting and
		distribute minutes	distribute minutes	distribute minutes	distribute minutes
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
3	Support regional NRM Stormwater Officer	Meet with officer	Meet with officer	Meet with officer	Meet with officer
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
4	Design, document, procurement, and supervision of contracts as per the specific	Report to	Report to	Report to	Report to
	projects listed in the 2015/2016 Capital Works Program	program	program	program	program
		Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing

# **Resource requirements**

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	\$35,000	MVC and Consultants	Senior Technical Officer - Engineering
2	N/A	MVC	Senior Technical Officer - Engineering
3	\$7,200	MVC	Senior Technical Officer - Engineering
4	Capital Works - \$120,000	MVC and Consultants	Senior Technical Officer - Engineering

No.	Performance target		
1	Complete all high risk catchments by June 2017		
4	Development of project plans, delivery of projects in line with budget, time line, and scope		

# **Development Services**

Directorate	4. Development Services	Program number and title	4.1 Land Use & Planning		
Program Objective	To carry out planning duties and prepare policie	planning duties and prepare policies for the sustainable development of the local government area			

**Operational detail** 

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Process development applications in accordance with delegated authority	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Process Planning Scheme Amendments	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
3	Prepare Local Provisions Schedule for the Tasmanian Planning Scheme	Prepare Project	Draft Local	Draft Local	Draft Local
		Plan	Provisions Schedule	Provisions Schedule	Provisions Schedule
		Deferred	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
4	Carrick Rural Living Area - Rezoning	Rezoning	Rezoning approved	Performance Target	
		approved by	by Minister		
		Minister			
		Deferred	In Progress	Achieved	
5	Department of Education Land Prospect Vale – Development Plan		Finalise		
			Development Plan		
			Achieved		
6	Westbury Road Prospect Vale – Activity Centre Plan	Prepare Project	Prepare Project Plan	Present Plan to	
		Plan and engage	and engage	Council	
		Consultant	Consultant		
		Deferred	Deferred	Deferred	

# **Resource requirements**

No.	Budget allocation	Budget allocation Resources needed	
1-4	\$623,000	MVC	Director Development Services
5	\$10,000	MVC and Consultant	Director Development Services
6	\$32,500	MVC and Consultant	Senior Town Planner and Economic Development Officer

No.	Performance target		
1	Within Statutory time frames, 100% Conformance		
2	Within Statutory time frames, 100% Conformance		
3	Local Provisions Schedule adopted by Council		
6	Activity Centre Plan completed		

Directorate	4. Development Services	Program number and title	4.2 Building Control		
Program Objective	To carry out statutory responsibilities for the administration and enforcement of the Building Act 2000 and the Tasmania Building Regulations 2004.				

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Permit Authority – Issue Permits for Category 4 Building works	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target
		Not Applicable this	Not Applicable this	Achieved	Achieved
		quarter	quarter		
2	Permit Authority – Process Building Applications	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
3	Permit Authority – Manage outstanding Building Completions and Illegal				Reduce outstanding
	Works				completions
					by 20%
					In Progress
4	Coordinate Major Events applications	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

**Resource requirements** 

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	\$30,000	MVC	Director Development Services
2-4	\$322,000 (incorporating Plumbing administration	MVC	Director Development Services and Permit Authority
	support)		

	on personnance angue			
No.	Performance target			
1	Issue Building Permits within 7 working days from the date all other permits and documents as required by the Building Act, are received by Council.			
	Achieve 95% conformance.			
4	Respond to applications with 7 working days.			

Directorate	4. Development Services	Program number and title	4.3 Environmental Health
Program Objective	Manage Council's statutory obligations in relation	on to Environr	mental Protection and Preventative Health

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Monitor and sample water quality of recreational waters	Record Results	Record Results	Record Results	Record Results
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Inspect Places of Assembly annually as per program	Issue Annual	Issue Annual	Issue Annual	Issue Annual
		Licence	Licence	Licence	Licence
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
3	Inspect and register food premises annually	Inspections per	Inspections per	Inspections per	Issue annual
		Schedule	Schedule	Schedule	registration for all
					food premises
		Achieved	Achieved	In Progress	Achieved
4	Co-ordinate immunisation clinics				Complete
					Immunisation
					Program
					Achieved
5	Investigate incidents and complaints re notifiable diseases, public health or	Monitor and Report	Monitor and Report	Monitor and Report	Monitor and Report
	environmental nature	to Agencies	to Agencies	to Agencies	to Agencies
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
6	Process applications for special plumbing permits and on site waste water	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target
	disposal	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

# **Resource requirements**

No.	Budget allocation	Budget allocation Resources needed	
1-4	\$160,000	MVC, External Consultants and Immunisation Nurses	Director Development Services
5-6	\$65,000	MVC and External Environmental Consultants	Director Development Services

No.	Performance target		
1	Respond to non-conformances within 48 hours		
2	Conduct inspections as per program		
3	Conduct inspections as per program		
4	Provide school based immunisations as per program		
5	Commence investigation of cases and complaints with 5 days of notification		
6	Process applications within 14 days of receiving all required information, achieve 95% compliance		

Directorate	4. Development Services	Program number and title	4.4 Plumbing & Drainage Control	
Program	To carry out statutory responsibilities for the administration and enforcement of the plumbing legislation.			
Objective				

No	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Conduct inspections and process applications for Plumbing Permits	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

#### **Resource requirements**

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	\$153,000	MVC	Director Development Services
			Plumbing Surveyor

No.	Performance target
1	Process plumbing applications within 7 days and special connection permits within 14 days of receipt of all information

Directorate	4. Development Services	Program number and title	4.5 General Inspector		
Program Objective	To carry out statutory responsibilities for the a Act 1979 and the Local Government Act 1993.	e administration and enforcement of the Dog Control Act 2000, Fire Service			

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Annual Audit of Dog Registrations			Conduct Audit	
				In Progress	
2	Fire Abatement Management		Issue Fire Abatement	Issue Fire Abatement	
			Notices	Notices	
			Achieved	Achieved	
3	Investigate incidents and complaints regarding animal control	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
4	Participate in Fire Management Area Committees		Fire Protection Plan		
			Completed		
			Achieved		

**Resource requirements** 

No.	Budget allocation Resources needed		Responsible Officer	
1,3	\$144,800	MVC and and External Consultants	Director Development Services and General Inspector	
2	\$16,700	MVC and External Contractors	Director Development Services and General Inspector	
4	In Kind	MVC	Director Development Services	

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No.	Performance target
3	Investigate all cases and complaints within 10 days

# Works

Direct	torate	5. Works	Program number and title  5.1 Parks, Reserves, Sports Grounds and Cemet				
Progra	am Objective	,	lley Council's parks, reserves, cemeteries and sports grounds are maintained to provide a clean ce that is acceptable to community and sporting organisations.				

**Operational detail** 

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Undertake the maintenance work in accordance with the level of service	Report to	Report to	Report to	Report to
	required	performance target	performance target	performance target	performance target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Undertake capital works as per the specific projects listed in the 2016-2017	Report to program	Report to program	Report to program	Report to program
	Capital Works Program	Achieved	Achieved	In Progress	Achieved

**Resource requirements** 

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	\$909,800	MVC	Director Works, Work Supervisors
2	Capital Works \$ 65,000 – Deloraine Cemetery improvements \$ 10,000 – Install AWTS at Bracknell River Reserve \$ 15,000 – Replace cricket nets Bracknell Rec Ground \$181,000 – Various reserves – footpath/walk, irrigation and landscaping upgrades and renewals	MVC and external service providers	Director Works, Work Supervisors

No.	Performance target
1	Achieve 95% conformance with Customer Service Request System (activity is an ongoing task throughout the year)
1	Conformance with annual budget
2	Conformance with project budget and works program

Directorate	5. Works	Program number and title	5.2 Roadside Verges and Nature Strips		
Program Objective	To ensure Meander Valley Council's road verges	ges and nature strips are maintained to a safe and acceptable stan			

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Undertake the maintenance work in accordance with the level of service	Report to	Report to	Report to	Report to
	required.	performance target	performance target	performance target	performance target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

**Resource requirements** 

No.	Io. Budget allocation Resources needed		Responsible Officer		
1	\$402,000	MVC	Director of Works		

No.	Performance target
1	Achieve 95% conformance with Customer Service Request System (activity is an ongoing task throughout the year)
1	Conformance with annual budget

Directorate	5. Works	Program number and title	5.3 Roads	
Program	To construct and maintain a safe and effective road network to meet the needs of residents and visitors.			
Objective				

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by
1	Undertake maintenance work in accordance with the level of service required	Report to	Report to	Report to	Report to performance
		performance target	performance target	performance target	target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Undertake capital works as per the specific projects listed in the 2016-2017	Report to program	Report to program	Report to program	Report to program
	Capital Works Program	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

**Resource requirements** 

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	\$2,048,400 (includes \$150,000 R2R funding)	MVC and external service providers	Director Works, Work Supervisors
2	Capital Works \$1,705,000 – Road construction \$950,000 – Road reseal and gravel re-sheeting \$161,000 – Footpath construction	MVC and external service providers	Director Works, Work Supervisors

No.	Performance target
1	Achieve 95% conformance with Customer Service Request system (activity is an ongoing task throughout the year)
1	Conformance with annual budget
2	Conformance with project budget and works program

Directorate	5. Works	Program number and title	5.4 Toilets, Street Cleaning and Litter Collection		
Program	o maintain streets and public toilets in a clean and tidy condition in accordance with environmental standards.				
Objective					

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Undertake street litter bin collection and cleaning in accordance with the	Report to	Report to	Report to	Report to performance
	current level of service	performance target	performance target	performance target	target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Undertake cleaning of toilets in accordance with the current level of service	Report to	Report to	Report to	Report to performance
		performance target	performance target	performance target	target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

# **Resource requirements**

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	\$226,000	MVC	Director of Works
2	\$252,700	MVC	Director of Works

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No.	Performance target
1	Achieve 95% conformance with Customer Service Request System (activity is an ongoing task throughout the year)
1	Conformance with annual budget
2	Achieve 95% conformance with Customer Service Request System and environmental standards (activity is an ongoing task throughout the year)
2	Conformance with annual budget

Directorate	5. Works	Program number and title	5.5 Urban Stormwater
Program Objective	To maintain a safe and effective stormwater dra	inage network	

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Undertake maintenance work in accordance with the level of service required	Report to	Report to	Report to	Report to
		performance target	performance target	performance target	performance target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Undertake capital works as per the specific projects listed in the 2016-2017	Report to program	Report to program	Report to program	Report to program
	Capital Works Program	Achieved	Achieved	In Progress	Achieved

**Resource requirements** 

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer
1	\$128,900	MVC and external service providers	Director Works, Work Supervisors
2	Capital Works	MVC and external service providers	Director Works, Work Supervisors
	\$100,000 – Carrick open drain improvement program		
	\$100,000 – Westbury open drain improvement		
	program		
	\$50,000 – Bracknell open drain improvement program		
	\$20,000 – William Street Westbury		
	\$20,000 – Lovett Lane Westbury		
	\$15,000 – Exton WSUD		

No.	Performance target
1	Achieve 95% conformance with Customer Service Request system (activity is an ongoing task throughout the year)
1	Conformance with annual budget
2	Conformance with project budget and works program

Directorate	5. Works	Program number and title	5.6 Plant
Program Objective	To provide suitable plant and equipment at a co	mpetitive hire	e rate to accommodate Councils activities

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Manage plant to achieve operational objectives			Complete review	
				Achieved	
2	Undertake plant purchase/trade in accordance with 10 year Major Plant	Report to program	Report to program	Report to program	Report to program
	Replacement Program and the projects listed in the 2016-2017 Capital Works	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
	Program				

**Resource requirements** 

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No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer				
1	\$352,700	MVC	Director Works, Work Supervisors				
2	Capital Works	MVC	Director Works				
	\$473,000 – Major plant (renewal and new)						
	\$20,000 – Minor plant (renewal and new)						

No.	Performance target
1	To be competitive with private hire rates (activity is an ongoing task throughout the year)
1	Major plant utilisation reviewed to inform 10 year Plant Replacement Program
2	Conformance with project budget and works program

Directorate	5. Works	Program number and title	5.7 Works and Maintenance Program
Program Objective	To develop Works and Maintenance Program fo	r new financia	al year

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6		
			31/12				
1	Develop Works and Maintenance Program by June for the following financial			Undertake	Develop work program		
	year			assessment			
				Achieved	Achieved		

**Resource requirements** 

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer	
1	N/A	MVC	Director of Works and Director of Infrastructure	
			Services	

No.	Performance target
1	Conform with projected Works Program and estimates (activity is an ongoing task throughout the year)

# **Economic Development & Sustainability**

Directorate	6. Economic Development &	Program	6.1 Natural Resource Management
	Sustainability	number and title	
Program Objective	Facilitate Natural Resource Management for Co	uncil and Com	nmunity

#### **Operational detail**

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Continue implementation of NRM strategies as per annual work plan	Achieve Performance	Achieve Performance	Achieve Performance	Achieve Performance
		Target	Target	Target	Target
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Review and update Councils Natural Resource Management Strategy	Commence review	Continue review	Present draft to Council	
		Achieved	Achieved	In Progress	
3	Participate in the Tamar Estuary Esk Rivers Program (TEER)			Report on TEER activities	
				Achieved	

**Resource requirements** 

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed	Responsible Officer		
1	\$5,000	MVC	NRM Officer		
2	\$5,000	MVC			
3	\$11,000	MVC	General Manager		

No.	Performance target
1	Complete actions within timeframes and within budget
2	Strategy completed
3	Attend annual meetings and support a regional approach to river catchment management

Directorate	6. Economic Development &	Program number and	6.2 Economic Development		
	Sustainability	title			
Program Objective	To create an investment ready environment in the Meander Valley Local Government Area				

No.	Actions and Tasks	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Promote investment in Meander Valley to support the growth of identified	Identify	Identify	Identify	Identify
	industry sectors	opportunities and	opportunities and	opportunities and	opportunities and
		report on progress	report on progress	report on progress	report on progress
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
2	Continue to Implement actions contained in the Communication Action	Review progress	Report on progress	Report on progress	Report on progress
	Plan	and reset priorities	via the Briefing	via the Briefing	via the Briefing
			Report	Report	Report
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
3	Support activities of the Sustainable Environment Committee	Report on progress	Report on progress	Report on progress	Report on progress
		via quarterly	via quarterly	via quarterly	via quarterly
		meeting minutes	meeting minutes	meeting minutes	meeting minutes
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
4	Support the progress of Hadspen Urban Growth Area		Report on progress	Report on progress	Report on progress
				Achieved	Achieved
	a. Negotiate and prepare the Part 5 agreements with landowners	Report on progress	Report on progress	Report on progress	Report on progress
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
5	Develop Council's Asian Engagement Strategy as part of the regional		Report on progress		
	project				
			Achieved		
6	Operate the Great Western Tiers Visitor Centre efficiently and effectively	Report on visitation	Report on visitation	Report on visitation	Report on visitation
		statistics and sales	statistics and sales	statistics and sales	statistics and sales
		revenue	revenue	revenue	revenue
		Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
7	Develop a plan for installation of Wi-Fi infrastructure at identified locations	Commence the	Report on progress	Report on progress	Report on progress
	across Meander Valley	development of the			
		installation plan			
		Achieved	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress

8	Develop a plan for the installation of video surveillance in Deloraine and	Commence	Report on progress	Report on progress	Report on progress
	Westbury	development of the			
		business case for			
		the program			
		Achieved	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress

# **Resource requirements**

No.	Budget allocation	Resources needed Responsible Officer		
1	\$29,000	MVC	Director Economic Development and Sustainability	
2	\$18,500	MVC	Communication Officer	
3	\$5,000	MVC	Project Officer	
4a	\$7,000	MVC	Director Economic Development and Sustainability/	
			Project Officer/Director Development Services/Town	
			Planner/Senior Accountant	
5	\$18,000	MVC	Director Economic Development and Sustainability	
6	\$343,000	MVC	Director Economic Development and Sustainability/	
			Visitor Centre Manager	
7	\$65,000 CW Carry Over FY 15/16	MVC	Director Economic Development/Property	
			Management Officer	
8	\$10,000	MVC	Director Economic Development and Sustainability	

	on performance unique			
No.	Performance target			
1	Report on new development opportunities where commercial in confidence arrangements allow			
2	Implement priority actions as agreed by Council's Management Team			
3	Report on the progress of priority actions as set by the Sustainable Environment Committee			
4a	Meet project timeframes as agreed by the Project Team			
5	Strategy Completed			
6	Deliver operations on budget			
7	Approval of program by Council			
8	Approval of program by Council			

# **DECISION:**

Cr White moved and Cr Kelly seconded "that Council receive and note the Annual Plan review for the June 2017 quarter as above".

The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Connor, King, Mackenzie, Perkins, Richardson, Synfield, Temple and White voting for the motion and Cr Kelly voting against the motion.

The Council meeting adjourned for afternoon tea at 2.57pm

The Council meeting resumed at 3.15pm

# 156/2017 MEANDER VALLEY COUNCIL ANNUAL PLAN 2017-18

# 1) Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to adopt the Meander Valley Council Annual Plan 2017-18.

#### 2) Recommendation

It is recommended that Council adopt the Annual Plan for the 2017-2018 financial year as follows:

# Meander Valley Council Annual Plan 2017-2018





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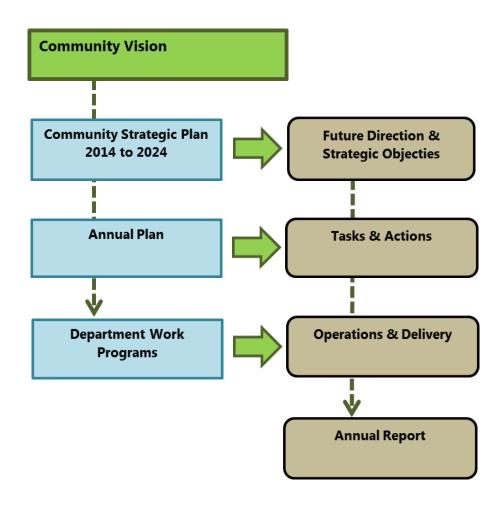
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#### **ANNUAL PLAN OVERVIEW**

The Annual Plan outlines the programs and services Council intends to deliver throughout the financial year. Preparation of the Annual Plan is informed by the strategic objectives of the Meander Valley Community Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024, the activities required to undertake the day-to-day operations and the management of regulatory responsibilities.

# Link to Community Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024

The Community Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024 outlines the vision of the community. Council works to implement the vision through six future direction statements that are aligned with key strategic outcomes. These strategic outcomes guide the development of projects and programs. The diagram below depicts the current strategic planning framework of Meander Valley Council:



The coming year will see Council deliver the following projects –

- Upgrade of the Westbury Recreation Ground Change Rooms
- Implementation of Waste Management Strategy Action Plan
- Local Provision Schedules for inclusion in the new Tasmanian Planning Scheme
- Implementation of the Hadspen Urban Growth Plan
- Deloraine and Districts Recreation Precinct Feasibility Study
- Development of Stormwater System Management Plans

An extensive Capital Works Program, valued at \$13.5 million, will be delivered. The value of the works approved is in line with the projections in the Long Term Financial Plan, with \$3.0 million of this figure being allocated to building new and upgraded infrastructure.

The Capital Works Program delivers \$1.9 million in roads, bridges and building works funded by Government Grants.

# **BUDGET ESTIMATES**

	2017-2018	2016-2017	
Revenue:			
Rate Revenue	11,890,600	11,293,500	
Fees and User Charges	1,126,500	1,101,700	
Contributions and Donations	120,000	61,800	
Interest	751,000	907,300	
Grants and Subsidies	4,638,000	4,287,000	
Other Revenue	1,023,300	1,013,200	
Total Operating Revenue:	19,549,400	18,664,500	
Operating Expenditure:			
Employee Costs	6,606,800	6,661,000	
Maintenance and Working Expenses	6,179,700	5,442,000	
Borrowing Costs	241,300	271,300	
Depreciation	5,052,000	4,961,000	
Payments to Government Authorities	1,136,200	1,075,600	
Other Payments	250,200	245,000	
Total Operating Expenditure:	19,466,200	18,655,900	
Underlying Surplus/(Deficit)	83,200	8,600	
Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit)including	4,117,700	2,932,100	
capital and abnormal items			
Capital Expenditure	13,517,700	15,033,100	
Repayment of Loans:		-	
Asset Sales:	215,000	215,000	
Closing Cash Balance:	14,766,509	15,718,609	
Net assets:	281,043,086	276,925,386	

# **RATES AND CHARGES**

The following rates and charges will apply for 2017-2018:

General rate:	All rateable properties are applied a General Rate of 5.6727 cents in the \$ of AAV with a minimum charge of \$135.
Waste Management:	For properties without a kerbside collection service the charge is \$52. For each separate service where kerbside garbage and/or green-waste and recycling collection is provided the charge is \$180for the standard collection of one 80L mobile garbage bin and one mobile recycling bin or \$206 for the extra capacity collection of one140L mobile garbage bin and one mobile recycling bin or \$360 for one 240L mobile garbage and one mobile recycling bin.
Fire Levies:	All properties within the municipal area are rated based on the income requirements of the State Fire Commission.  Properties within the Launceston Permanent Brigade District are applied a rate of 1.3147 cents in the \$ of AAV with a minimum of \$39.  Properties within the Volunteer Brigade Districts are applied a rate of 0.3847 cents in the \$ of AAV with a minimum of \$39.  All other properties are applied a rate of 0.3535 cents in the \$ of AAV with a minimum of \$39.
Payment Method:	Ratepayers are provided with the option of paying their rates in full, with no discount for early payment, or paying their rates in four approximately equal instalments due on 31 August 2017, 31 October 2017, 31 January 2018 and 30 March 2018.
Penalties for late payment:	Any late payment of rates and charges will be subject to daily interest at a rate equivalent to 8.72% per annum (2.389c per \$100 per day).

Council's rating policy No 77 is available on the website <u>www.meander.tas.gov.au</u>

# **POLICY REVIEW**

POLICY FOR REVIEW	28 June Audit Panel	30 Sept. Council	30 Sept. Audit Panel	31 Dec. Council	31 Dec. Audit Panel	31 March Council	31 March Audit Panel	30 June Council
Governance:								
Policy 23: Appointment & Responsibilities of Council Representatives								
Policy 67: Personal Information Protection								
Policy 83: Fraud Control								
Policy 84: Gifts & Benefits								
Corporate Services:	Nil							
Infrastructure Services:								
Policy 37: Vegetation Management								
Community and Development Services:								
Policy 34: Real Estate Advertising Signs								
Policy 66: Bonds & Bank Guarantees								
Policy 82: Community Grants								
Policy 85: Open Space								
Works:	Nil							

#### **DOCUMENT REVIEW**

OPERATION Document Reviews	By 30 September	By 31 December	By 31 March	By 30 June
Governance:				
Style Manual				
Delegations				
Special Committees of Council				
Pubic Interest Disclosures				
Economic Development Strategy				
Corporate Services				
Customer Service Charter				
Infrastructure Services:				
Municipal Emergency Management Plan				
Community and Development Services:				
Meander Valley Community Safety Plan				
Works:	Nil			

#### **PROGRAM ACTIVITY**

#### Governance

Directorate	1. Governance	Program	1.1 Secretarial and Administrative support				
		number and	• •				
		title					
Program Objective	To undertake functions to ensure compliance with legislative requirements						
Link to Community	Future Direction (3) - Vibrant and Engaged communities						
Strategic Plan 2014 to	3.2 Successful local events enhance community li	ife.					
2024	Future Direction (5) - Innovative Leadership and Community Governance						
	5.1 Meander Valley Council programs are regularly reviewed to support the achievement of the Community Strategic Plan						
	5.6 Meander Valley Council is recognised as a res	sponsibly man	aged organisation.				

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Deliver Annual Plan Responsible Officer: Executive Assistant	5.1	Prepare quarterly review	Prepare quarterly review	Prepare quarterly review	Prepare quarterly review. Prepare 2018/19 Annual Plan
2	Prepare Annual Report & Conduct Annual General Meeting (AGM) Responsible Officer: Executive Assistant	5.6	Complete draft for printing	Complete report and present at AGM. Advertise and conduct AGM		
3	Policy Review & Operations Document Review Responsibility – Executive Assistant Responsible Officer: Executive Assistant	5.1	Review as per schedule	Review as per schedule	Review as per schedule	Review as per schedule
4	Conduct Australia Day (AD) event Responsibility – Executive Assistant Responsible Officer: Executive Assistance	3.2	Review AD criteria. Call for nominations	Assess nominations. Plan civic function	Conduct a civic function on AD	

	No.	Performance target
	2	AGM held and Annual Report adopted by Council
Ī	4	AD Event Conducted

Directorate	1. Governance	Program number and	1.2 Risk Management			
		title				
Program Objective	Minimise risk to our people and the public					
Link to Community Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024	Future Direction (5) - Innovative leadership a 5.4 Meander Valley Councilors and employees ha governance and operational responsibilities. 5.6 Meander Valley Council is recognised as a res	ive the knowle	edge, skills and attitude to responsibly undertake community			

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan	Complete by 30/9	Complete by	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
		Reference		31/12		
1	Implement Risk Management Framework Responsible Officer: General Manager	5.6	Review the framework	Action the framework	Action the framework	Action the framework
2	Implement the Internal Audit Program Responsible Officer: Risk & Safety Officer	5.4	Review of Audit outcomes	Conduct Audit	Review of Audit outcomes	Conduct Audit

No.	Performance target
1	Review Completed and Update endorsed by Audit Panel
2	Audit Recommendations implemented

Directorate	1. Governance	Program 1.3 Employee Health and Safety Management				
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		title				
Program Objective	To provide a safe place of work for our people and to measure and monitor our employer obligations.					
Link to Community	Future Direction (5)- Innovative leadership and community governance					
Strategic Plan 2014 to	5.6 Meander Valley Council is recognised as a responsibly managed organisation.					
2024	5.0 Meditaer valley Couriett is recognised as a res	sponsibly man	agea organisation.			

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Health and Safety Committee Responsible Officer: Health & Safety Officer	5.6	Conduct quarterly meeting	Conduct quarterly meeting	Conduct quarterly meeting	Conduct quarterly meeting
3	Deliver a Health and Wellbeing Program Responsible Officer: General Manager	5.6	Conduct quarterly meeting and implement programs	Conduct quarterly meeting and implement programs	Conduct quarterly meeting and implement programs	Conduct quarterly meeting and implement programs
6	Workplace Consultative Committee operation Responsible Officer: General Manager	5.6	Conduct quarterly meeting	Conduct quarterly meeting	Conduct quarterly meeting	Conduct quarterly meeting

No.	Performance target
1	Conduct meetings
2	N/A
3	Respond to suggestions with 14 days of meetings

Directorate	1. Governance	Program number and title	1.4 Other Governance Functions			
Program Objective	To provide good governance					
Link to Community	Future direction (2) - A thriving local economy					
Strategic Plan 2014 to	2.1 The strengths of Meander Valley attract inves	stment and pro	ovide opportunities for employment.			
2024	2.2 Economic development in Meander Valley is	planned, maxi	mising existing assets and investment in infrastructure			
	2.3 People are attracted to live in the townships, rural and urban areas of Meander Valley.					
	Future Direction (5) - Innovative leadership and community governance					
	5.6 Meander Valley Council is recognised as a re	esponsibly ma	naged organisation.			

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Participation in Northern Tasmania Development Corporation Ltd (NTDC) Responsible Officer: General Manager	2.1	Attend NTDC Local Government Committee Meeting			
2	Review Council's Delegation Register Responsible Officer: General Manager	5.6		Review register		
3	Participate in benchmarking project with other Councils in the northern region Responsible Officer: General Manager	5.6	Review options provided by Consultant			
4	Promote investment in Meander Valley to support the growth of identified industry sectors Responsible Officer: General Manager	2.2	Identify opportunities and report on progress			
5	Continue to implement actions contained in the Communication Action Plan Responsible Officer: Communications Officer	2.3	Review progress and reset priorities	Report on progress via the Briefing Reports	Report on progress via the Briefing Reports	Report on progress via the Briefing Reports

No.	Performance target
2	Complete Review and implement changes
4	Report on new development opportunities where commercial in confidence arrangements allow
5	Complete work plan for 2017 – 2018 FY.

## **Corporate Services**

Directorate	2. Corporate Services	Program number and	2.1 Financial Services			
		title				
Program Objective	Responsibly manage the Council's core financial activities					
Link to Community	Future Direction (5) - Innovative leadership and community governance					
Strategic Plan 2014 to	5.2 Long term financial planning and asset management underpins the ongoing viability of Meander Valley					
2024	aged organisation.					

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Raise Rates and Sundry Debtor accounts Responsible Officer: Director Corporate Services	5.2	Achieve activity performance target	Achieve activity performance target	Achieve activity performance target	Achieve activity performance target
2	Implement Enterprise Cash Receipting System Upgrade Responsible Officer: Rates Officer	5.6		Plan implementation requirements	Implement upgrades to the test environment	Implement upgrade to the production environment
3	Complete State Authority returns Responsible Officer: Rates Officer	5.6	Initial State Fire and Treasury pensioner claims and Annual State Fire Levy data return			Final State Fire and Treasury pensioner claims
4	Issue Section 132 certificates (Property Rates) Responsible Officer: Rates Officer	5.6	Achieve activity performance target	Achieve activity performance target	Achieve activity performance target	Achieve activity performance target
5	Arrange annual insurance renewals Responsible Officer: Finance Officer & Director Corporate Services	5.6		Crime Insurance (Fidelity Guarantee renewal)	Directors and Officers and Employment Practices renewal	Annual renewals as per schedule incl. Public Liability and PI, ISR, Workers Comp. and MV
6	Reconciliation of Control Accounts Responsible Officer: Senior Accountant	5.2	Achieve activity performance target	Achieve activity performance target	Achieve activity performance target	Achieve activity performance target

No.	Performance target			
1	■ Issue Rates notices before 31st July 2017			
	<ul> <li>Issue Sundry Debtor notices within 10 working days of receipt of request</li> </ul>			
4	■ Issue 98% of Section 132 Certificates within 3 working days of entry of request			
6	<ul> <li>Reconcile rates, sundry debtor and creditors control accounts within 10 working days of the month end</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Reconcile Payroll within 5 working days of processing.</li> </ul>			

Directorate	2. Corporate Services	Program number and title	2.2 Financial Management & Reporting						
Program Objective	To comply with statutory requirements for Local reports for internal financial management	o comply with statutory requirements for Local Government Finance, State and Federal Taxation and to provide meaningful ports for internal financial management							
Link to Community Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024	Future Direction (5) - Innovative leadership a 5.1 Meander Valley Council programs are regular 5.2 Long term financial planning and asset mand 5.3 Evidence based decision-making engages the 5.6 Meander Valley Council is recognised as a res	rly reviewed to agement unde community a	support the achievement of the Community Strategic Plan. rpins the ongoing viability of Meander Valley nd is honest, open and transparent.						

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Review and present the Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) to Council Responsible Officer: Senior Accountant	5.2				Review and present the LTFP to Council
2	Coordinate the development and adoption of Budget and Rating recommendations with statutory timeframes Responsible Officer: Director Corporate Services	5.2			Determine budget update program	Present budget, fees and charges to Council in June
3	Annual external reporting Responsible Officer: Senior Accountant	5.6	Produce Statutory Accounts and complete KPI consolidated data sheets			Prepare end of year timetable for Statutory Accounts and Audit
4	Issue BAS, FBT and Payroll Tax returns within legislative timeframes Responsible Officer: Senior Accountant	5.6	Submit BAS and Payroll Tax returns on time	Submit BAS and Payroll Tax returns on time	Submit BAS and Payroll Tax returns on time	Submit BAS and Payroll Tax returns on time
5	Provide internal financial management reports on a timely basis for decision making Responsible Officer: Senior Accountant	5.3	Achieve activity performance target	Achieve activity performance target	Achieve activity performance target	Achieve activity performance target

6	Monitor Council's short-term expenditure commitments and invest funds in accordance with Council's Investment policy Responsible Officer: Senior Accountant	5.2	Review cash flow weekly to determine funds for investment	Review cash flow weekly to determine funds for investment	Review cash flow weekly to determine funds for investment	Review cash flow weekly to determine funds for investment
7	Co-ordinate functions of the Audit Panel Responsible Officer: Director Corporate Services	5.6	Conduct meeting as per Audit Schedule			
8	Review Council's Financial Management Strategy Responsible Officer: Senior Accountant	5.1				Prepare review documentation by Council in July

No.	Performance target
5	<ul> <li>Produce and distribute ongoing project expenditure reports</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Produce and distribute monthly operating statements within 10 working days of end of month</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Submit September, December and March quarterly financial reports to Council in Oct 2017, Jan 2018 and April 2018 respectively</li> </ul>

Directorate	2. Corporate Services	Program number and title	2.3 Information Technology			
Program Objective	Provide reliable and effective information techniques	ology services	for the organisation			
Link to Community	Future Direction (5)- Innovative leadership and community governance					
Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024	5.6 Meander Valley Council is recognised as a responsibly managed organisation.					

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
		Reference				
1	Maintenance and upgrade of IT infrastructure Responsible Officer: IT Officer			Complete rolling replacement of PC's.		
2	Implement recommendations of IT Security Review Responsible Officer: IT Officer		recommendations of	'	Implement chosen recommendations	

Directorate	2. Corporate Services	Program number and title	2.4 Information Management			
Program Objective	Effectively manage and maintain Council's inform	nation resour	ce			
Link to Community	y governance					
Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024	5.1 Meander Valley Council programs are regularly reviewed to support the achievement of the Community Strategic Plan.  5.6 Meander Valley Council is recognised as a responsibly managed organisation.					
2024						

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Maintenance of Council's cemetery records in accordance with the Cemeteries Act Responsible Officers: Customer Service Officer & Information Management Officer	5.6	Maintain records in accordance with legislation	Maintain records in accordance with legislation	Maintain records in accordance with legislation	Maintain records in accordance with legislation
2	Annual Archive Disposal Responsible Officer: Information Management Officer	5.6	Arrange for removal of documents due for disposal			List documents due for disposal
3	Implementation of Archive Office Audit Recommendations Responsible Officer: Information Management Officer	5.1	Document and prioritise improvement projects	Commence identified priority projects	Continue with priority projects	Report on status of projects
4	Implementation of ECM Connected Content Responsible Officer: Information Management Officer	5.6	Plan software implementation	Commence testing and conduct system administration training		Implement software upgrade into production system

Directorate	2. Corporate Services	Program number and	2.5 Human Resources			
Program Objective	Effectively manage and support Council's human	title n resources				
Link to Community Future Direction (5)- Innovative leadership and community governance						
Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024	5.4 Meander Valley Councillors and employees have the knowledge, skills and attitude to responsibly undertake community					
	governance and operational responsibilities.					
	5.6 Meander Valley Council is recognised as a responsibly managed organisation.					

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Review 2016 Enterprise Agreement Responsible Officer: HR/Payroll Officer	5.6	Review increases and apply across new scale and allowances.			Review CPI percentage determine increase
4	Coordinate training needs via Learning Management system Responsible Officer: HR/Payroll Officer	5.4	Report to Directors on quarterly training to be delivered	Update training plan following Performance Reviews. Report to Directors on quarterly training to be delivered	Report to Directors on quarterly training to be delivered	Report to Directors on quarterly training to be delivered
3	Performance Review System Responsible Officers: HR/Payroll Officer & Directors	5.4	Ensure all employee performance reviews have been completed	Ensure all inside employee salary reviews have been completed	Ensure all mini performance reviews and all outside employee wage reviews have been completed	Review the current year's performance reviews and recommend any changes required

Directorate	2. Corporate Services	Program number and title	2.6 Great Western Tiers Visitor Information Centre			
Program Objective	Effectively manage and maintain Council's Visitor Information Centre					
Link to Community Strategic Plan 2014 to	Future Direction (2) - A thriving local economy  2.4 A high level of recognition and demand for Great Western Tiers products and experiences.					
2024	2.4 A night level of recognition and demand for G	reat vvestern	riers products and experiences.			

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan	Complete by 30/9	Complete by	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
		Reference		31/12		
1	Report on Visitation statistics and sales revenue	2.4	Advise information	Advise information	Advise information in	Advise information in
	Responsible Officer: Director Corporate Services		in the Briefing	in the Briefing	the Briefing Report	the Briefing Report
			Report	Report Advise		
				information in the		
				Briefing Report		

## **Infrastructure Services**

Directorate	3. Infrastructure Services	Program number and title	3.1 Emergency Services			
Program Objective		To build capacity and resilience in the community and ensure Council is prepared to assist with emergency services in the response to emergencies and lead in the recovery				
Link to Community	Future Direction (4) - A healthy and safe community					
Strategic Plan 2014 to	4 Prepare and maintain emergency management plans and documents and work with our communities to educate and plan f					
2024						

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No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Co-ordinate the Municipal Emergency Management and Recovery Committee (MEMRC) Responsible Officer: Director Infrastructure	4.4	Chair quarterly meeting	Chair quarterly meeting	Chair quarterly meeting	Chair quarterly meeting
2	Support the operation of the Meander Valley SES unit through ongoing management of the MOU Responsible Officer: Director Infrastructure	4.4		Report to Council in Annual Plan Review		Report to Council in Annual Plan Review
3	Conduct emergency management training facilitated by Red Cross Responsible Officer: Administration Officer Infrastructure Services	4.4		Conduct training	Conduct training	
4	Review Municipal Emergency Management Plan Responsible Officer: Administration Officer Infrastructure	4.4			Review Plan	

No.	Performance target
1	Meetings held
2	Obtain activities report from Deloraine SES and provide information to Council on a 6 monthly basis in Briefing Reports
3	Complete training for MVC officers and service group members
4	Review Plan and submit to SES

Directorate	3. Infrastructure Services	Program number and title	3.2 Transport				
Program Objective	To maintain the serviceability and integrity of Co	To maintain the serviceability and integrity of Council's transport network.					
Link to Community	Future Direction (6) - Planned infrastructure services						
Strategic Plan 2014 to	6.1 The future of Meander Valley infrastructure assets is assured through affordable planned maintenance and renewal strategies.						
2024	6.3 The Meander Valley transport network meets						

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Deliver the bridge inspection and maintenance program Responsible Officer: Senior Technical Officer	6.1, 6.3	Finalise supply agreement	Contractor engaged for maintenance works	Prepare maintenance budget items for 2018-2019	Maintenance works completed
2	Design, document, procurement, and supervision of contracts as per the specific projects listed in the 2016/2017 Capital Works Program Responsible Officer: Director Infrastructure	6.1, 6.3	Report to program in Annual Plan Review	Report to program in Annual Plan Review	Report to program in Annual Plan Review	Report to program in Annual Plan Review
3	Undertake footpath proactive defect inspections Responsible Officers: Director Works & Asset Management Coordinator	6.1			Undertake required inspections	Undertake required inspections

No.	Performance target
1	Quarterly tasks achieved. Contractor performance assessed
2	Completion of projects in line with project plan requirements
3	Meet timeframes set out by Conquest

Directorate	3. Infrastructure Services	Program number and title	3.3 Property Services				
Program Objective	Operate property services in a safe and effective	Operate property services in a safe and effective manner to satisfy public demand.					
Link to Community Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024	strategies.	ssets is assured emeteries and	d through affordable planned maintenance and renewal public buildings are well utilized and maintained. hity's needs into the future				

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Operate Deloraine Swimming Pool and provide support to community swimming pool at Caveside Responsible Officer: Property Management Officer	6.4, 6.6	Review and extend existing contract	Undertake pre- opening inspection and required maintenance. Open pool 1 December	Operate pool to 1 March	
2	Review the operation of the Deloraine Pool	6.6		Complete review		
3	Complete Annual Maintenance Statement (Section 56) and Asbestos Audit (NCOP) compliance Responsible Officer: Property Management Officer	6.1			Carry out annual inspections	
4	Co-ordinate building maintenance – general, reactive and programed Responsible Officer: Property Management Officer	6.1	Undertake required maintenance	Undertake required maintenance	Undertake required maintenance	Undertake required maintenance

5	Design, document, procurement, and supervision of contracts as per the specific projects listed in the 2017-2018 Capital Works Program Responsible Officer: Property Management Officer		Report to program	Report to program	Report to program	Report to program
6	Review Evacuation Plans Responsible Officer: Property Management Officer	6.6				Review plans

No.	Performance target
1	Review of Contractors compliance with the contract
2	Meet timeframes set out by Conquest
3	Meet timeframes set out by Conquest
4	Completion of projects in line with project plan requirements
5	Completion of review by June 30

Directorate	3. Infrastructure Services	Program number and title	3.4 Parks & Recreation		
Program Objective	To provide and maintain parks and recreation facilities throughout the Local Government Area.				
Link to Community	Future Direction (6) - Planned infrastructure services				
Strategic Plan 2014 to	6.1 The future of Meander Valley infrastructure assets is assured through affordable planned maintenance and renewal strategies.				
2024	6.6 Infrastructure services are affordable and meet the community's needs into the future				

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Undertake inspections and condition assessments of all equipment and facilities Responsible Officer: Director Works & Technical Officer Community Spaces	6.1, 6.6	Undertake required inspections	Undertake required inspections	Undertake required inspections	Undertake required inspections
2	Complete the Strategic Plan for Council's open space areas for Hadspen and Prospect Vale Responsible Officer: Technical Officer Community Spaces	6.6	Community consultation	Report to Council	Prepare budget items for 2018-2019	
3	Design, document, procurement, and supervision of contracts as per the specific projects listed in the 2017-2018 Capital Works Program Responsible Officer: Director Infrastructure	6.1	Report to program in Annual Plan Review			
4	Undertake tree audit of reserves (parks and sports facilities) and identified townstreets Responsible Officer: Technical Officer Community Spaces	6.1		Undertake audit		
5	Provide support to the Townscape Reserves and Parks Special Committee (TRAP) Responsible Officer: Technical Officer Community Spaces	6.6	Conduct meeting and report on outcomes			
6	Westbury Recreation Ground Function Centre Business Case Responsible Officer: Property Management Officer	6.6	Draft report to Council Workshop			

No.	Performance target
1	Meet timeframes set out by Conquest. Annual comprehensive inspection completed by December 31
2	Present Strategy to Council by December 31
3	Completion of projects in line with project plan requirements
4	Complete audit work by 31 December
5	Bimonthly meetings
6	Present business case to Council Workshop by December 31

Directorate	3. Infrastructure Services	Program number and title	3.5 Asset Management and GIS			
Program Objective	Provision of Asset and GIS services to assist the operations of Council.					
Link to Community Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024	Future Direction (6) - Planned infrastructure 6.1 The future of Meander Valley infrastructure a strategies. 6.3 The Meander Valley transport network meets 6.6 Infrastructure services are affordable and me	ssets is assured the present an	•			

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
		Reference				
1	Co-ordinate Asset Management Group and Improvement	6.1, 6.6	Chair meeting and	Chair meeting and	Chair meeting and	Chair meeting and
	Plan		action	action improvement	action improvement	action
	- Review Asset Management Plans		improvement	program	program	improvement
	<ul> <li>Undertake Conquest training and development</li> </ul>		program			program
	<ul> <li>Undertake AM training and awareness</li> </ul>					
	- Develop whole of organisation approach to AM					
	Responsible Officer: Asset Management Coordinator					
2	Prepare 2018-2019 Capital Works Program	6.1, 6.3, 6.6		Update Proposed	Prioritise and	Annual program
				Projects list	undertake further	prepared for
	Responsible Officer: Asset Management Coordinator				design and cost	approval by
					estimation	Council
3	Update asset information including	6.1	Capitalisation of	Capitalisation of	Capitalisation of	Capitalisation of
	capitalisation of assets in Conquest		assets and	assets and	assets and recording	assets and
	- undertake bridge revaluation		recording in	recording in	in Conquest and GIS	recording in
	Responsible Officer: Asset Management Coordinator		Conquest and GIS	Conquest and GIS		Conquest and GIS
6	GIS Activities	6.1				Update GIS
	- Input GIS data relating to capitalisation of assets and					
	subdivisions					
	Responsible Officer: Asset Management Coordinator					

7	Undertake additional survey of stormwater assets and update	6.1		Complete by 30
	GIS			June
	Responsible Officer: Asset Management Coordinator			

No.	Performance target
2	To prepare annual Capital Works Program for approval at May Council meeting
3	Capitalisation of assets prior to finalisation of 2017-2018 Statutory Reporting. Completion of bridge revaluation for TAO by Dec 30 2017.
4	Update GIS information for completed projects by 30 June

Directorate	3. Infrastructure Services	Program number and title	3.6 Waste Management and Resource Recovery			
Program Objective	To provide adequate, efficient, and affordable waste services within Meander Valley Local Government Area					
Link to Community Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024	Future Direction (6) - Planned infrastructure 6.1 The future of Meander Valley infrastructure a strategies. 6.6 Infrastructure services are affordable and med	ssets is assured	through affordable planned maintenance and renewal ity's needs into the future			

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Provision of kerbside collection contracts for waste, recyclables and organics Responsible Officer: Senior Technical Officer	6.6	Manage Contract	Manage Contract	Manage Contract	Manage Contract
2	Provision of landfill, waste transfer stations and resource recovery operations contract Responsible Officer – Senior Technical Officer	6.6	Manage Contract	Manage Contract	Manage Contract	Manage Contract
3	Provision of hard waste collection Responsible Officer: Senior Technical Officer	6.6		Undertake collection	Report to Council in Annual Plan Review	
4	Design, document, procurement, and supervision of contracts as per the specific projects listed in the 2017-2018 Capital Works Program Responsible Officer: Director Infrastructure	6.1	Report to program in Annual Plan Review	Report to program in Annual Plan Review	Report to program in Annual Plan Review	Report to program in Annual Plan Review
5	Operational compliance with Environment Protection Notice for Westbury and Deloraine landfill sites. Responsible Officer: Senior Technical Officer	6.6	Ground and surface water monitoring. Annual Report to EPA		Ground and surface water monitoring	

No.	Performance target
1	Supervise and review contract
2	Supervise and review contract
3	Report to Council by March 31 on collection results
4	Completion of projects in line with project plan requirements

Directorate	3. Infrastructure Services	Program number and title	3.7 Stormwater Management			
Program Objective		Local Government (Highways) Act aims to provide piped stormwater standards and major stormwater networks (overland flows and roads)				
Link to Community Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024	<b>Future Direction (6) - Planned infrastructure</b> 6.1 The future of Meander Valley infrastructure a strategies.	re services e assets is assured through affordable planned maintenance and renewal				

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Develop stormwater system management plans in line with legislation Responsible Officer: Senior Technical Officer	6.1				Complete program by 30 June
2	Design, document, procurement, and supervision of contracts as per the specific projects listed in the 2017-2018 Capital Works Program Responsible Officer: Director Infrastructure	6.1	Report to program in Annual Plan Review			

No.	Performance target
1	Complete all high risk catchments by June 2018
2	Completion of projects in line with project plan requirements

Directorate	3. Infrastructure Services	Program number and title	3.8 Sustainable Development					
Program Objective	Develop sustainable practices within our org	inable practices within our organisation and community through leading, supporting and encouraging						
	staff, contractors and community to use ene	rgy, water and	d non-renewable resources more productively. Promote					
	and support sustainable economic developr	ment initiative	5.					
Link to Community	Future Direction (1) - A sustainable natural a	Future Direction (1) - A sustainable natural and built environment						
Strategic Plan 2014 to								
2024	1.4 Meander Valley is environmentally sustainab	le.						
	Future Direction (2) - A thriving local econon	ny						
	2.2 Economic development in Meander Valley is	planned, maxin	nizing existing assets and investment in infrastructure.					
	Future Direction (6) - Planned infrastructure	Future Direction (6) - Planned infrastructure services						
	6.1 The future of Meander Valley infrastructure a	acture assets is assured through affordable planned maintenance and renewal strategies.						
	6.6 Infrastructure services are affordable and med	et the commun	ty's needs into the future					

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Support activities of the Sustainable Environment Committee Responsible Officer: Sustainable Development Project Manager	1.4	Report on progress via quarterly meeting minutes	Report on progress via quarterly meeting minutes	Report on progress via quarterly meeting minutes	Report on progress via quarterly meeting minutes
2	Support the progress of the Hadspen Urban Growth Area Responsible Officer: Sustainable Development Project Manager	2.2	Report in Annual Plan Review	Report in Annual Plan Review	Report in Annual Plan Review	Report in Annual Plan Review
3	Design, document, procurement, and supervision of contracts as per the specific projects listed in the 2017-2018 Capital Works Program Responsible Officer: Director Infrastructure Services	6.1	Report to program in Annual Plan Review	Report to program in Annual Plan Review	Report to program in Annual Plan Review	Report to program in Annual Plan Review

4	Bioenergy Project Responsible Officer:- Sustainable Development Project Manager	2.2		Stage 1 Feasibility	Report to Council
5	Prepare Local Provisions Schedule for the Tasmanian Planning Scheme Responsible Officer: Senior Strategic Planner	1.1	Prepare Project Plan	Draft Local Provisions Schedule	Finalise Local Provisions Schedule
6	Westbury Road Prospect Vale – Activity Centre Plan Responsible Officer: Senior Strategic Planner	6.6	Prepare project plan and engage consultant	Develop draft plan	Present plan to Council

No.	Performance target
2	Part V agreements established with landowners for infrastructure development
3	Completion of projects in line with project plan requirements
4	Complete feasibility and commence business case

## **Community and Development Services**

Directorate	4. Community & Development Services	Program number and	4.1 Land Use & Planning				
		title					
Program Objective	To carry out planning duties and prepare policie	o carry out planning duties and prepare policies for the sustainable development of the local government area					
Link to Community	Future Direction (1) - A sustainable natural and built environment.						
Strategic Plan 2014 to	1.1 Contemporary planning supports and guides growth and development across Meander Valley.						
2024	1.2 Liveable townships, urban and rural areas across the local government area with individual character.						
	1.3 The natural, cultural and built heritage of Me	ander Valley i	s protected and maintained.				

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No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
		Reference				
1	Process development applications in accordance with delegated authority	1.1, 1.2, 1.3	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target
	Responsible Officer: Coordinator Development Services					
2	Process Planning Scheme Amendments Responsible Officer: Director Community & Development Services	1.1, 1.2, 1.3	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target

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No.	Performance target
1	Within Statutory time frames, 100% Conformance
2	Within Statutory time frames, 100% Conformance

Directorate	4. Community & Development Services	Program number and title	4.2 Building, Plumbing & Permit Authority 2016				
Program Objective	To carry out statutory responsibilities for the a Building Regulations 2016.		and enforcement of the Building Act 2016 and the Tasmanian				
Link to Community	Future Direction (1) - A sustainable natural a	nd built envi	ronment.				
Strategic Plan 2014 to	1.1 Contemporary planning supports and guides						
2024	1.2 Liveable townships, urban and rural areas ac	ross the local	government area with individual character.				
	1.3 The natural, cultural and built heritage of Me	ander Valley	s protected and maintained.				
	1.4 Public health and the environment is protected regional level.	ed by the resp	onsible management of liquid and solid waste at a local and				
	Future Direction (3) Vibrant and engaged co	mmunities.					
	3.2 Successful local events enhance community li	ife.					
	Future Direction (4) A healthy and safe comm	nunity.					
	4.3 Public health and safety standards are regulated, managed and maintained.						
	Future direction (5) Innovative leadership an	d community	governance				
	5.5 Councils in the region collaborate and share i	resources for t	he collective good of their communities				

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Permit Authority – Issue Permits for Category 4 Building works Responsible Officer: Coordinator Development Services	1.1, 1.2, 1.3	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target
2	Permit Authority – Process Notifiable Building Works (Category 3) Responsible Officer: Coordinator Development Services	1.1, 1.2, 1.3	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target
3	Permit Authority – Manage outstanding Building Completions and Illegal Works Responsible Officer: Coordinator Development Services	1.1, 1.2, 1.3				Reduce outstanding completions by 10%

4	Coordinate Major Events applications Responsible Officer: 337 Officers	3.2	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target
5	Conduct inspections and process applications for Plumbing Permits Responsible Officer: Plumbing Surveyor	1.4, 1.4, 5.5	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target

No.	Performance target				
1	Issue Building Permits within 7 working days from the date all other permits and documents as required by the Building Act, are received by Council.				
	Achieve 95% conformance.				
2	Building applications processed in a timely manner				
3	Outstanding building completions and illegal works reduced by 10%				
4	Respond to applications within 7 working days				
5	Process plumbing applications within 7 days and special connection permits within 14 days of receipt of all information				

Directorate	4. Community & Development Services	Program number and title	4.3 Environmental Health			
Program Objective	Manage Council's statutory obligations in relation	on to Environr	nental Protection and Preventative Health			
Link to Community Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024	Future Direction (1) - A sustainable natural and built environment.  1.5 Public health and the environment is protected by the responsible management of liquid and solid waste at a local and regional level.					
	Future Direction (4)- A healthy and safe come 4.1 The health and wellbeing needs of all sectors	Iture Direction (4)- A healthy and safe community.  I The health and wellbeing needs of all sectors in the community are planned, met and managed.  Public health and safety standards are regulated, managed and maintained.				

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Monitor and sample water quality of recreational waters Responsible Officer: Environmental Health Officer	1.5, 4.1	Record Results	Record Results	Record Results	Record Results
2	Inspect Places of Assembly annually as per program Responsible Officer: Environmental Health Officer	4.1, 4.3	Issue Annual Licence	Issue Annual Licence	Issue Annual Licence	Issue Annual Licence
3	Inspect and register food premises annually Responsible Officer: Environmental Health Officer	4.1, 4.3	Issue annual registration for all premises	Inspections as per Schedule	Inspections as per Schedule	Issue annual registration for all food premises
4	Co-ordinate immunisation clinics Responsible Officer: Environmental Health Officer	4.1, 4.3				Complete Immunisation Program

No.	Performance target
1	Respond to non-conformances within 48 hours
2	Conduct inspections as per program
3	Conduct inspections as per program
4	Provide school based immunisations as per program

Directorate	4. Community & Development Services	Program number and title	4.4 General Inspector			
Program Objective	To carry out statutory responsibilities for the ac 1979 and the Local Government Act 1993.	carry out statutory responsibilities for the administration and enforcement of the Dog Control Act 2000, Fire Services Ac				
Link to Community Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024	Future direction (4) - A healthy and safe community.  4.3 Public health and safety standards are regulated, managed and maintained.					

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Annual Audit of Dog Registrations Responsible Officer: General Inspector	4.3			Conduct Audit	
2	Fire Abatement Management Responsible Officer: General Inspector	4.3		Issue Notices	Issue Notices	
3	Investigate incidents and complaints regarding animal control Responsible Officer: General Inspector	4.3	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target	Performance Target

No.	Performance target
1	Audit conducted as scheduled
2	Notices issued as required
3	Investigate all cases and complaints within 10 days

Directorate	4. Community & Development Services	Program number and	4.5 Natural Resource Management
Program Objective	Facilitate Natural Resource Management for Cou	title uncil and Com	nmunity
Link to Community Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024	Future Direction (1) - A sustainable natural at 1.3 The natural, cultural and built heritage of Med 1.4 Meander Valley is environmentally sustainable 1.6 Participate and support programs that improve	<b>nd built envi</b> ander Valley i le	ronment. s protected and maintained.

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Continue implementation of NRM strategies as per annual work plan Responsible Officer: NRM Officer	1.3, 1.4, 1.6	Achieve Performance Target	Achieve Performance Target	Achieve Performance Target	Achieve Performance Target
2	Review and update Councils Natural Resource Management Strategy Responsible Officer: NRM Officer	1.3, 1.4, 1.6	Complete Strategy	Design internet version of Strategy	Develop internet version of Strategy	Internet version of strategy completed
3	Participate in the Tamar Estuary Esk Rivers Program Responsible Officer: NRM Officer	1.3, 1.4, 1.6			Report on TEER activities	

No.	Performance target
1	Complete actions within timeframes and within budget
2	Strategy completed
3	Attend annual meetings and support a regional approach to river catchment management

Directorate	4. Community & Development Services	Program	4.6 Community Development				
		number and					
		title					
Program Objective	Working with the community for the benefit of all						
Link to Community	Future Direction (3) - Vibrant and engaged communities.						
Strategic Plan 2014 to	3.1 Creativity and learning are art of daily life across the communities of Meander Valley.						
2024	3.2 Successful local events enhance community life.						
	3.4 Meander Valley communities have the resilience and capacity to address and overcome life's challenges and emergencies.						
	Future Direction (4) - A healthy and safe community.						
	4.1 The health and wellbeing needs of all sectors	of the commu	nity are planned, met and managed.				

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Facilitate the operation of the Meander Valley Community Safety Group Responsible Officer – Community Development Manager	3.4, 4.1.	Conduct meeting and report on progress			
2	Deliver the Community Grants Program Responsible Officer – Community Development Manager	3.1, 3.2, 3.4, 4.1.	Acquit Round 1 and advertise	Acquit Round 2 and advertise	Acquit Round 3 and advertise	Acquit Final Round and advertise Conduct Grants Information Forum
3	Conduct Art Exhibition Responsible Officer – Community Development Manager	3.1, 3.2	Review Art exhibition	Establish format for exhibition	Conduct exhibition	Review exhibition

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No.	Performance target		
1	Meetings held and goals achieved		
2	Number and range of grant applications		
3	Number of artists participating		

Directorate	4. Community & Development Services	Program	4.7 Services To Young people			
		number and				
		title				
Program Objective	To address and support the needs of young people through responsive and participatory approaches					
Link to Community	Future Direction (3) - Vibrant and engaged communities					
Strategic Plan 2014 to	3.1 Creativity and learning are part of daily life across the communities of Meander Valley.					
2024	3.2 Successful local events enhance community life.					
	3.3 Educations and training opportunities are available to everyone across the local government areas.					
	3.4 Meander Valley communities have the resilience and capacity to address and overcome life's challenges and emergencies.					
	3.5 Young people have the opportunity to be engaged in community life.					
	Future Direction (4) - A healthy and safe community.					
	4.1 The health and wellbeing needs of all sectors in the community are planned, met and managed.					
	4.2 Infrastructure, facilities and programs encourage increased participation in all forms of active and passive recreation.					

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Conduct School Holiday Program Responsible Officer: Community Officer	3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 4.1, 4.2	Conduct and report	Conduct and report	Conduct and report	Conduct and report Evaluate overall outcomes
2	Conduct Stepping Stones Camps Responsible Officer: Community Officer	3.1, 3.3, 3.4, 4.1, 4.2.	Conduct program	Conduct program	Conduct program	Conduct program and evaluate overall outcomes
4	Conduct 'National Youth Week' Event Responsible Officer: Community Officer	3.1, 3.2, 3.5, 4.1.			Prepare and advertise event	Conduct event
5	Facilitate outdoor recreation programs Responsible Officer: Community Officer	3.1, 3.3, 4.1, 4.2.	Conduct program	Conduct program	Conduct program	Conduct program

No.	Performance target
1	Programs conducted and evaluated
3	Program conducted and evaluated
4	Event conducted and evaluated
5	Program conducted and evaluated

Directorate	4. Community & Development Services	Program	4.8 Recreation and Sport Services			
		number and	·			
		title				
Program Objective	To provide current and future recreation and sp	ort programs	and facilities			
Link to Community	Future Direction (1) - A sustainable natural a	nd built envi	ronment.			
Strategic Plan 2014 to	1.1 Contemporary planning supports and guides	growth and d	evelopment across Meander Valley.			
2024	Future Direction (4) - A healthy and safe con	nmunity.	·			
	4.2 Infrastructure, facilities and programs encourage increased participation in all forms of active and massive recreation.					
	Future direction (5) - Innovative leadership a	nd communi	ty governance.			
	5.3 Evidence based decision making engages the community and is honest, open and transparent.					
	Future Direction (6) - Planned infrastructure services.					
	6.4 Open space, parklands, recreation facilities, cemeteries and public buildings are well utilised and maintained.					

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Support the operation of the Recreation Co-Ordination Group Responsible Officer: Recreation Coordinator	4.2, 6.4	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting	Conduct meeting
2	Co-ordinate usage and promotion of Prospect Vale Park and Hadspen Recreation Ground Responsible Officer: Recreation Coordinator	4.2, 6.4	Conduct all users meeting	Liaise with User Groups	Conduct all users meeting	Liaise with User Groups
3	Research and produce an Outdoor Recreation Facilities User Guide for Prospect Vale Park and Hadspen Memorial Centre Responsible Officer: Recreation Coordinator	1.1, 4.2, 5.3	Draft User Guide for each venue	Liaise with users and test User Guide	Roll-out User Guide to seasonal and casual users and on- line	Review and evaluate effectiveness

No.	Performance target
1	Meeting held and goals achieved
2	User meeting held and goals achieved
3	Study completed and reported to Council

Directorate	4. Community & Development Services	Program	4.9 Recreation Facilities Management				
		number and					
		title					
Program Objective	To provide indoor facilities for recreational, soci	al and commu	nity based activities that are safe, comfortable and fit for				
	purpose						
Link to Community	Future direction (1) - A sustainable natural a	nd built envi	onment.				
Strategic Plan 2014 to	1.1 Contemporary planning supports and guides	growth and d	evelopment across Meander Valley.				
2024	Future Direction (3) - Vibrant and engaged o	ommunities.					
	3.3 Education and training opportunities are available to everyone across the local government area.						
	3.5 Young people have the opportunity to be engaged in community life.						
	Future Direction (4) -A healthy and safe community.						
	4.1 The health and wellbeing needs of all sectors	in the commu	nity are planned, met and managed.				
	4.2 Infrastructure facilities and programs encour	age increased	participation in all forms of active and passive recreation.				
	Future direction (6) - Planned infrastructure	services.					
	6.1 The future of Meander Valley infrastructure a	ssets is assure	d through affordable planned maintenance and renewal				
	strategies.		-				
	6.4 Open space, parklands, recreation facilities, c	emeteries and	public buildings are well utilised and maintained.				

	perational detail					
No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan	Complete by 30/9	Complete by	Complete by	Complete by 30/6
		Reference		31/12	31/3	
1	Preliminary Review of Sport and Recreation Plan Responsible Officer: Recreation Coordinator	1.1, 4.1, 6.4		Review document	Report proposed changes	
2	Develop a strategy and implement to promote and market indoor recreation facilities to current and prospective users Responsible Officer: Recreation Coordinator	3.5, 4.1, 4.2, 6.4.	Develop and implement strategy	Conduct all users meeting	Review strategy	Conduct all users meeting

3	Research and design a pilot Meander Valley VET Work Placement Program at the Westbury Sports Centre and associated local venues Responsible Officer: Recreation Coordinator	3.3, 3.5, 4.1, 6.4	Draft User Guide for each venue	Liaise with users and test User Guide	Roll-out User Guide to season and casual users and on-line	Review and evaluate effectiveness
4	Develop a Draft Long Term Capital Asset Expenditure Plan for recreation facilities Responsible Officer: Recreation Coordinator	1.1, 4.1, 4.2, 6.1, 6.4		Complete research and design	Complete Pilot Program	Review and evaluate effectiveness

No.	Performance target
1	Review, identify and report proposed changes
2	Complete strategy and hold all user meetings
3	Pilot Program to be conducted and evaluated
4	Prepare draft Plan

#### Works

Directorate	5. Works	Program number and	5.1 Parks, Reserves, Sports Grounds and Cemeteries			
		title				
Program Objective	To ensure that Councils parks, reserves, cemeteries and sports grounds are suitably maintained to provide a safe, clean and					
	inviting experience to community and sporting organisations.					
Link to Community	Future Direction (6) - Planned infrastructure services					
Strategic Plan 2014 to	6.1 The future of Meander Valley infrastructure assets is assured through affordable planned maintenance and renewal strategies.					
2024	6.4 Open space, parklands, recreation facilities, cemeteries and public buildings are well utilized and maintained.					
	6.6 Infrastructure services are affordable and meet the community's needs into the future					

#### **Operational detail**

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Provide facility maintenance services Responsible Officers: Works Supervisors and Works Officers	6.1, 6.4, 6.6	'	•	· •	Report to Annual Plan review
2	Undertake capital works as per the specific projects listed in the 2016-2017 Capital Works Program	6.1	'	' ·	· •	Report to Annual Plan review

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No.	Performance target
1	Achieve 95% conformance with Customer Service Request System & Conformance with annual budget
2	Conformance with project budget and works program

Directorate	5. Works	Program number and title	5.2 Roads			
Program Objective	To construct and maintain a safe and effective road network to meet the needs of road users and the community.					
Link to Community	Future Direction (6) - Planned infrastructure services					
Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024	6.1 The future of Meander Valley infrastructure assets is assured through affordable planned maintenance and renewal strategies.					
	6.3 The Meander Valley transport network meets the present and future needs of the community and business 6.6 Infrastructure services are affordable and meet the community's needs into the future					

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Undertake the maintenance work in accordance with the level of service required. Responsible Officer: Works Supervisors & Works Officers	6.1, 6.3, 6.6	Report to Annual Plan Review	Report to Annual Plan Review t	Report to Annual Plan Review	Report to Annual Plan Review
2	Plan and deliver capital works projects and provide progress report to Council Responsible Officer: Works Director, Works Supervisors & Works Officers	6.3, 6.6	Report to Annual Plan Review	Report to Annual Plan Review	Report to Annual Plan Review	Report to Annual Plan Review

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No.	Performance target
1	Achieve 95% conformance with Customer Service Request System
1	Conformance with project budget and works program

Directorate	5. Works	Program number and	5.3 Toilets, Street Cleaning and Litter Collection			
		title				
Program Objective	To ensure public toilets and streets are maintained in a clean and tidy condition.					
Link to Community	Future Direction (6) - Planned infrastructure services					
Strategic Plan 2014 to	6.1 The future of Meander Valley infrastructure assets is assured through affordable planned maintenance and renewal strategies.					
2024	6.4 Open space, parklands, recreation facilities, cemeteries and public buildings are well utilized and maintained.					
	6.6 Infrastructure services are affordable and med	et the commui	nity's needs into the future			

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
		Reference				
1	Undertake street/reserve litter collection and street cleaning Responsible Officers: Works Supervisors & Works Officers	6.1, 6.4, 6.6	Report to Annual Plan review			
2	Undertake cleaning of toilets in accordance with the current level of service Responsible Officers: Works Supervisors & Works Officers		Report to Annual Plan review			

No.	Performance target
1	Achieve 95% conformance with Customer Service Request System
1	Conformance with annual budget
2	Achieve 95% conformance with Customer Service Request System
2	Conformance with annual budget

Directorate	5. Works	Program number and title	5.4 Urban Stormwater			
Program Objective	To provide and maintain an effective urban storm water drainage system					
Link to Community	Future Direction (6)- Planned infrastructure services					
Strategic Plan 2014 to 2024	6.1 The future of Meander Valley infrastructure assets is assured through affordable planned maintenance and renewal strategies.					
	6.5 Stormwater and flooding cause no adverse impacts.					
	6.6 Infrastructure services are affordable and me	et the commu	nity's needs into the future			

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Provide storm water maintenance services Responsible Officers: Works Supervisors and Works Officers	6.1, 6.5, 6.6	Report to Annual Plan review			
2	Plan and deliver capital work projects and provide progress report to Council Responsible Officers: Works Director, Works Supervisors and Works Officers	6.1, 6.6	Report to Annual Plan review			

No.	Performance target
1	Achieve 95% conformance with Customer Service Request system
1	Conformance with annual budget
2	Conformance with project budget and works program

Directorate	5. Works	Program number and title	5.5 Plant			
Program Objective	To provide plant and equipment that suits Councils activities and is financially sustainable					
Link to Community	Future Direction (6) - Planned infrastructure services					
Strategic Plan 2014 to	6.1 The future of Meander Valley infrastructure assets is assured through affordable planned maintenance and renewal					
2024	strategies.					
	6.6 Infrastructure services are affordable and med	et the commu	nity's needs into the future			

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Manage plant to achieve operational objectives Responsible Officers: Works Director and Works Supervisors	6.1, 6.6			Complete major plant annual review	
2	Undertake plant purchases in accordance with 10 year Major Plant Replacement Program and report to Council Responsible Officer: Works Director	6.1, 6.6	Report to Annual Plan review	Report to Annual Plan review	Report to Annual Plan review	Report to Annual Plan review

No.	Performance target
1	Major plant hire rates to be competitive with private sector
1	Major plant utilisation reviewed to inform 10 year Plant Replacement Program
2	Conformance with project budget and works program

Directorate	5. Works	Program number and	5.6 Management			
D 01: ::		title				
Program Objective	To provide facilities, resources and leadership to	support the e	effective and efficient delivery of services to the community			
Link to Community	Future Direction (6) - Planned infrastructure services					
Strategic Plan 2014 to	6.1 The future of Meander Valley infrastructure assets is assured through affordable planned maintenance and renewal strategies.					
2024	6.6 Infrastructure services are affordable and meet the community's needs into the future					

No.	Actions and Tasks	Strategic Plan Reference	Complete by 30/9	Complete by 31/12	Complete by 31/3	Complete by 30/6
1	Respond to customer enquiries Responsible Officers: Works Director, Works Supervisors and Works Officers	6.1 t	Report to Annual Plan Review	Report to Annual Plan Review	Report to Annual Plan Review	Report to Annual Plan Review
2	Engage consultant to undertake assessment and provide report on Works Depots Responsible Officer: Works Director and External Consultant	6.6	Finalise scope of project	Engage consultant	Receive report and present to Council	

**Action performance targets** 

No.	Performance target	
1	Provide advice to customer in accordance with Customer Service Charter	
1	Achieve 95% conformance with Customer Service Request System	
2	Report to Council and finalise future strategy for Depot sites	

#### **PROGRAM ACTIVITY**

#### **DECISION:**

Cr Connor moved and Cr King seconded "that Council adopt the Annual Plan for the 2017-2018 financial year as above".

The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Connor, Kelly, King, Mackenzie, Perkins, Richardson, Synfield, Temple and White voting for the motion.

## 157/2017 COUNCIL AUDIT PANEL MINUTES, 2016-17 ANNUAL REPORT AND 2017-18 WORK PLAN

#### 1) Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to receive the minutes of the Council Audit Panel meeting held on 27 June 2017 including its 2016-17 Annual Report and to approve the 2017-18 Council Audit Panel Work Plan.

#### 2) Recommendation

#### It is recommended that Council:

- 1) receive the minutes of the Council Audit Panel meeting held on 27 June 2017
- 2) receive and note the 2016-17 Annual Report
- 3) approve the Council Audit Panel Work Plan for 2017-18

#### **DECISION:**

Cr White moved and Cr Richardson seconded "that Council:

- 1) receive the minutes of the Council Audit Panel meeting held on 27 June 2017
- 2) receive and note the 2016-17 Annual Report
- 3) approve the Council Audit Panel Work Plan for 2017-18."

The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Connor, Kelly, King, Mackenzie, Perkins, Richardson, Synfield, Temple and White voting for the motion.

Cr Kelly left the meeting at 3.33pm

Cr Kelly returned to the meeting at 3.35pm

## 158/2017 NOTICE OF MOTION - REPEAL SECTION 13 OF THE FLUORIDATION ACT 1968 - CR TANYA KING

#### 1) Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a Notice of Motion from Cr Tanya King that Council support a motion to be put by Kentish Council at the upcoming Local Government Association of Tasmania Annual General Meeting on 26 July 2017, seeking the repeal of Section 13 of the Fluoridation Act 1968.

#### 2) Recommendation (Cr Tanya King)

It is recommended that Council support the motion by Kentish Council at the Local Government Association of Tasmania Annual General meeting of 2017, as follows:

That LGAT requests the State Government repeal section 13 of the Fluoridation Act 1968 (amended) which states that 'a Council must not hold an elector poll under Part 6 of the Local Government Act 1993 in relation to the addition of fluoride to a public water supply.

#### **DECISION:**

Cr Connor moved and Cr Richardson seconded "that Council support the motion by Kentish Council at the Local Government Association of Tasmania Annual General meeting of 2017, as follows:

That LGAT requests the State Government repeal section 13 of the Fluoridation Act 1968 (amended) which states that 'a Council must not hold an elector poll under Part 6 of the Local Government Act 1993 in relation to the addition of fluoride to a public water supply"."

The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Kelly, King, Mackenzie, Perkins, Richardson, Synfield, Temple and White voting for the motion and Councillor Connor voting against the motion.

#### 159/2017 NOTICE OF MOTION - AUSTRALIA DAY - CR ANDREW CONNOR

#### 1) Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a Notice of Motion from Cr Andrew Connor that Council support a motion from the City of Hobart to lobby for a change in the date of recognition of Australia Day.

#### 2) Recommendation (Cr Andrew Connor)

#### It is recommended that Council

- 1. Support the motion by the City of Hobart to be considered at the Local Government Association of Tasmania Annual General Meeting
- 2. Take other steps to support a change of date of Australia Day to one that is more acceptable to the wider community

#### **DECISION:**

Cr Connor moved and Cr Richardson seconded "that Council

- 1. Support the motion by the City of Hobart to be considered at the Local Government Association of Tasmania Annual General Meeting
- 2. Take other steps to support a change of date of Australia Day to one that is more acceptable to the wider community".

The motion was declared <u>LOST</u> with Councillors Connor and Richardson voting for the motion and Councillors Kelly, King, Mackenzie, Perkins,

Synfield, Temple and White voting against the motion.

As an amendment Cr Temple moved and Cr xx seconded "that Part 2 of the motion be deleted."

The motion lapsed for want of a seconder.

Cr Synfield foreshadowed an alternate motion.

As an alternate motion Cr Synfield moved and Cr Richardson seconded "that Council supports a discussion by the community at large around the appropriate date for Australia Day."

The motion was declared <u>LOST</u> with Councillors Connor, Richardson, Synfield and Temple voting for the motion and Councillors King, Kelly, Mackenzie, Perkins and White voting against the motion.

## 160/2017 NEW POLICY NO. 88 – RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

#### 1) Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to adopt a Related Party Disclosures Policy.

#### 2) Recommendation

It is recommended that Council adopts the Related Party Disclosures Policy as follows:

#### **POLICY MANUAL**

Policy Number: 88 Related Party Disclosures

**Purpose:** To outline the expectations of elected members and

employees of Council in relation to Australian Accounting Standard AASB 124 Related Party

Disclosures.

**Department:** Corporate Services

**Author:** Jonathan Harmey, Director

**Council Meeting Date:** 11 July 2017 **Minute Number:** 160/2017

Next Review Date: July 2021

#### **POLICY**

#### 1. Definitions

Close Family Member Family members of Key Management Personnel (KMP) who

may be expected to influence, or be influenced by, that person in their dealings with the entity. This includes, but is not limited to, that person's spouse or domestic partner; and the children and dependents of that person or that person's spouse or

domestic partner.

Control of an entity You control an entity if you have:

a) power over the entity;

- b) exposure, or rights, to variable returns from involvement with the entity; and
- c) the ability to use your power over the entity to affect the amount of your returns.

#### Declaration by KMP

An annual declaration of close family members and entities that the KMP or their close family members control or jointly control, as per Appendix 1, updated during the year as necessary.

## Entities controlled by KMPs

Entities include companies, trusts, joint ventures, partnerships and non-profit associations such as sporting clubs.

#### Entities related to Council

Entities controlled by Council, jointly controlled by Council or over which Council has significant influence are related parties of Council.

#### Joint control of an entity

To jointly control an entity there must be contractually agreed sharing of control of the entity, which exists only when decisions about the relevant activities require the unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

#### Key Management Personnel (KMP)

Persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the entity, directly or indirectly. In the council context this includes the Mayor, Councillors, the General Manager and Directors.

#### **KMP** Compensation

All employee benefits. Employee benefits are all forms of consideration paid, payable or provided by the entity, or on behalf of the entity, in exchange for services rendered to the entity. It also includes such consideration paid on behalf of a parent of the entity in respect of the entity. Compensation includes:

- a) short-term employee benefits, such as wages, salaries and social security contributions, paid annual leave, paid sick leave and non-monetary benefits (such as medical care, housing, cars and free or subsidised goods or services) for current employees;
- other long-term employee benefits, including long-service leave or other long-service benefits, long-term disability benefits and, if they are not payable wholly within twelve months after the end of the period and deferred compensation; and
- c) termination benefits.

#### Materiality

Information is material when, if omitted or misstated, it could influence decisions that users make on the basis of financial

information about a specific reporting entity.

Omissions or misstatements of information are material if they could, individually or collectively, influence the economic decisions that users make on the basis of the financial statements. Materiality depends on the size and nature of the omission or misstatement judged in the surrounding circumstances. The size or nature of the information or a combination of both, could be the determining factor.

Ordinary Citizen
Transactions (OCTs)

Transactions that an ordinary citizen would undertake with Council are usually not material to related party disclosure requirements. OCTs do not apply if the terms and conditions are different to those offered to the general public.

Related Party of Council

People and entities, such as companies, trusts and associations, can be related parties of Council. Most commonly these will be entities related to Council, KMP of Council (including elected members), close family members of KMP and entities that are controlled or jointly controlled by KMP or their close family members.

Related Party Transaction

A transfer of resources, services or obligations between a reporting entity and a related party, regardless of whether a price is charged.

#### 2. Objective

The objective of the Standard is to ensure that Council's financial statements contain the disclosures necessary to draw attention to the possibility that its financial position and profit or loss may have been affected by the existence of related parties and by transactions and outstanding balances, including commitments, with such parties.

#### 3. Scope

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#### 4.8.2 Contents of Register

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- the description of the related party transaction;
- the name of the related party;
- the nature of the related party's relationship with Council;
- whether the notified related party transaction is existing or potential;
- a description of the transactional documents.

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  - Transactions with close family members of KMP including the purchase of materials and services, assets and liabilities such as leases and loans.
  - Any other separate disclosure for each category of related party transactions
  - Relationships between a parent and its subsidiaries, irrespective of whether there have been transactions between them
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#### 5. Legislation

- Australian Accounting Standard AASB 124 Related Party Disclosures
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In accordance with Council's Pr	<i>ivacy Policy</i> , your in	nformation, and the informat	ion of others, is

protected by law, including the *Privacy Act 1988* and the *Personal Information Protection Act 2004*.

#### Appendix 2 - Related Party Information Collection Notice

#### **Collection Notice**

#### Related party transactions disclosure by Key Management Personnel

From 1 July 2016, Council must disclose related party relationships, transactions and outstanding balances, including commitments, in its annual financial statements, in order to comply with *Australian Accounting Standard AASB 124 Related Party Disclosures*.

#### Purpose of collection, use and disclosure of related party information

The reason for disclosure of related party transactions is to ensure that Council's financial statements contain the information necessary to draw attention to the possibility that its financial position and profit or loss may have been affected by the existence of related parties and by transactions and outstanding balances, including commitments, with such parties.

Council's related parties include the Mayor, Councillors, General Manager, Directors, their close family members and any entities that they control or jointly control. Any transactions between Council and these parties, whether monetary or not, may need to be identified and disclosed.

A related party transaction is a transfer of resources, services or obligations between Council and a related party, regardless of whether a price is charged.

A related party transaction must be disclosed in Council's financial statements if the transaction is material. Information is material when, if omitted or misstated, it could influence decisions that users make on the basis of financial information about a specific reporting entity.

Prior to disclosure, the Director Corporate Services and General Manager will jointly assess the materiality of related party transactions that have been captured, and, if deemed material, will disclose in its financial statements the nature of the related party relationship and information about the transaction. Disclosure in the financial statements may be in aggregate form and/or may be made separately, depending on the nature and materiality of the transaction.

#### **Related Party Transactions Declaration by Key Management Personnel**

Key management personnel (KMP) are the persons who have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of Council, directly or indirectly and include the Mayor, Councillors, General Manager and Directors. In order to comply with AASB 124, Council has adopted a policy that requires all KMP to declare any existing or potential related party transactions between Council and any of their related parties during a financial year.

Each KMP must provide an annual *Related Party Declaration* in the approved form, by 1 July each year, and update the Declaration should they become aware of any change, error or omission. KMPs must exercise their best judgement in identifying related parties when declaring, or not declaring, entities over which they, or a close member of their family, have control or joint control.

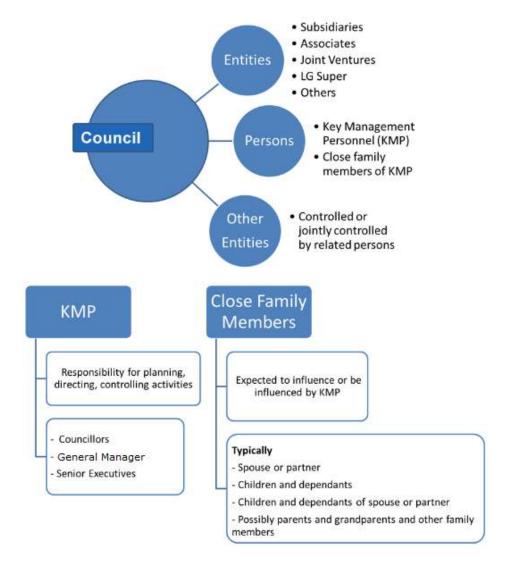
#### How will the information captured in the Declaration be used?

Council will use the declarations of KMPs to establish a list of related parties of Council for the purposes of identifying transactions and reporting under AASB 124. If a KMP or close family member is named individually in disclosure reports, the KMP will be given a copy of the intended disclosure for review and information purposes.

#### Who are related parties?

People and entities, such as companies, trusts and associations, can be related parties of Council.

The following diagram gives an overview of common related parties that a council will have.



For related party transaction disclosures under AASB 124, the related party relationship must be disclosed for both the KMP and their close family members, even if the same related party entity is held jointly or in common by them. This is separate and in addition to Council's register of interests which is required under the *Local Government Act 1993*.

Under AASB 124, those persons who are prescribed as definitely being close family members of a KMP include:

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What is an entity that I, or my close family members, control or jointly control?

Entities include companies, trusts, joint ventures, partnerships and non-profit associations such as sporting clubs.

You control an entity if you have:

- a) power over the entity;
- b) exposure, or rights, to variable returns from involvement with the entity; and
- c) the ability to use your power over the entity to affect the amount of your returns.

You jointly control an entity if there is a contractually agreed sharing of control of the entity. Joint control exists only when decisions about the relevant activities require the unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

In some instances, it may not be easy to determine whether or not you, or your close family members, control or jointly control an entity. If you are unsure and require further clarification, you should contact the Director Corporate Services for a confidential discussion.

#### **DECISION:**

Cr Connor moved and Cr White seconded "that Council adopts the Related Party Disclosures Policy as follows:

#### **POLICY MANUAL**

Policy Number: 88 Related Party Disclosures

**Purpose:** To outline the expectations of elected members and

employees of Council in relation to Australian Accounting Standard AASB 124 Related Party

Disclosures.

**Department:** Corporate Services

**Author:** Jonathan Harmey, Director

**Council Meeting Date:** 11 July 2017 **Minute Number:** 160/2017

Next Review Date: July 2021

#### **POLICY**

#### 1. Definitions

Close Family Member Family members of Key Management Personnel (KMP) who

may be expected to influence, or be influenced by, that person

in their dealings with the entity. This includes, but is not limited to, that person's spouse or domestic partner; and the children and dependents of that person or that person's spouse or domestic partner.

#### Control of an entity

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#### Declaration by KMP

An annual declaration of close family members and entities that the KMP or their close family members control or jointly control, as per Appendix 1, updated during the year as necessary.

## Entities controlled by KMPs

Entities include companies, trusts, joint ventures, partnerships and non-profit associations such as sporting clubs.

#### Entities related to Council

Entities controlled by Council, jointly controlled by Council or over which Council has significant influence are related parties of Council.

#### Joint control of an entity

To jointly control an entity there must be contractually agreed sharing of control of the entity, which exists only when decisions about the relevant activities require the unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

## Key Management Personnel (KMP)

Persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the entity, directly or indirectly. In the council context this includes the Mayor, Councillors, the General Manager and Directors.

#### **KMP** Compensation

All employee benefits. Employee benefits are all forms of consideration paid, payable or provided by the entity, or on behalf of the entity, in exchange for services rendered to the entity. It also includes such consideration paid on behalf of a parent of the entity in respect of the entity. Compensation includes:

- d) short-term employee benefits, such as wages, salaries and social security contributions, paid annual leave, paid sick leave and non-monetary benefits (such as medical care, housing, cars and free or subsidised goods or services) for current employees;
- e) other long-term employee benefits, including long-service leave or other long-service benefits, long-term disability

benefits and, if they are not payable wholly within twelve months after the end of the period and deferred compensation; and

f) termination benefits.

#### Materiality

Information is material when, if omitted or misstated, it could influence decisions that users make on the basis of financial information about a specific reporting entity.

Omissions or misstatements of information are material if they could, individually or collectively, influence the economic decisions that users make on the basis of the financial statements. Materiality depends on the size and nature of the omission or misstatement judged in the surrounding circumstances. The size or nature of the information or a combination of both, could be the determining factor.

## Ordinary Citizen Transactions (OCTs)

Transactions that an ordinary citizen would undertake with Council are usually not material to related party disclosure requirements. OCTs do not apply if the terms and conditions are different to those offered to the general public.

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#### 2. Objective

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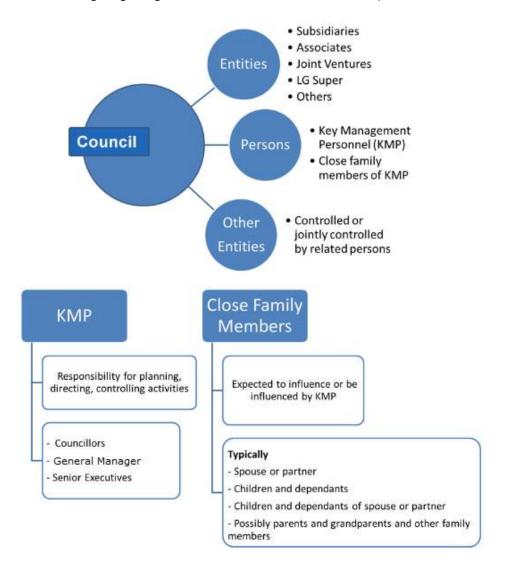
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The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Connor, Kelly, King, Mackenzie, Perkins, Richardson, Synfield, Temple and White voting for the motion.

# 161/2017 REQUEST FOR REMISSION OF THE 2017-18 RATES AND CHARGES ON 46 CHELTENHAM WAY, PROSPECT VALE & REQUEST FOR COMPENSATION FROM COUNCIL

#### 1) Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a request from the owners of 46 Cheltenham Way, Prospect Vale as received by the General Manager in June 2017.

The property owners have requested "Rates remission: We would like to apply for the annual rates remission under the Local Government Act under Section 129 for the financial year of 2017/18". This is taken to be a remission of the 2017-18 rates, charges and fire levy at 46 Cheltenham Way, Prospect Vale, equivalent to the amount a person eligible for the pensioner rate remission program would receive.

The owners have also requested "Compensation for our rates dating from the time we took possession of our house which was the 27 April 2015. We have paid in full, two years worth of rates since that date." This is taken to be financial compensation from Council equivalent to the amount an eligible person for the pensioner rate remission program would have received for rates, charges and fire levy at 46 Cheltenham Way, Prospect Vale for the period 27 April 2015 to 30 June 2017.

#### 2) Recommendation

#### It is recommended that Council:

- 1. Does not grant a rate remission for the General Rate and Waste Management charge for 2017-18 under Section 129 of the Local Government Act 1993 for 46 Cheltenham Way, Prospect Vale.
- 2. Does not provide any financial compensation equivalent to the amount an eligible person for the pensioner rate remission program would have received for rates, charges and fire levy at 46 Cheltenham Way, Prospect Vale for the period 27 April 2015 to 30 June 2017.
- 3. Write to the State Government and cc Mr Luke Brown, Deputy Commissioner DVA Tasmania, to consider including all Department

of Veterans Affairs "Gold Card" recipients be eligible for the Pensioner Rate Remission program.

#### **DECISION:**

Cr King moved and Cr Mackenzie seconded "that Council:

- 1. Does not grant a rate remission for the General Rate and Waste Management charge for 2017-18 under Section 129 of the Local Government Act 1993 for 46 Cheltenham Way, Prospect Vale.
- 2. Does not provide any financial compensation equivalent to the amount an eligible person for the pensioner rate remission program would have received for rates, charges and fire levy at 46 Cheltenham Way, Prospect Vale for the period 27 April 2015 to 30 June 2017.
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The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Connor, Kelly, King, Mackenzie, Perkins, Richardson, Synfield, Temple and White voting for the motion.

#### ITEMS FOR CLOSED SECTION OF THE MEETING:

Councillor White moved and Councillor Connor seconded "that pursuant to Regulation 15(2)(g) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, Council close the meeting to the public to discuss the following items".

The motion was declared <u>CARRIED</u> with Councillors Connor, Kelly, King, Mackenzie, Perkins, Richardson, Synfield, Temple and White voting for the motion.

#### 162/2017 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Confirmation of Minutes of the Closed Session of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 13 June, 2017.

#### 163/2017 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

(Reference Part 2 Regulation 15(2)(h) Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015)

## 164/2017 WESTBURY RECREATION GROUND PAVILION UPGRADE

(Reference Part 2 Regulation 15(2)(d) Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015)

The meeting moved into Closed Session at 4.47pm
The meeting re-opened to the public at 5.31pm
The meeting closed at 5.31pm
CRAIG PERKINS (MAYOR)