

**Minutes of the Meeting
of the Glenorchy City Council
held at the Council Chambers
on Monday, 26 February 2024 at 3:30pm**



Present (in Chambers): Alderman Bec Thomas (Mayor), Aldermen Shane Alderton, Josh Cockshutt, Steven King, Stuart Slade and Russell Yaxley, Councillors Molly Kendall and Harry Quick

In attendance (in Chambers): Tony McMullen (General Manager), Tracey Ehrlich (Acting Director Community and Corporate Services), Emilio Reale (Director Infrastructure and Works), Christine Lane (Manager Stakeholder and Executive), Emma Watkins (Coordinator Executive & Strategy), Allan Wise (Manager Finance), David Parham (Heritage Officer), Paul Garnsey (Manager Development), Luke Chiu (Manager Property, Environment and Waste)

In attendance (by video link): Mandy Henderson (Executive Assistant to the General Manager), Andy Watson (Executive Assistant to the Mayor)

Leave of Absence:

Workshops held since last Council Meeting

Date: Monday, 5 February 2024

Purpose: To discuss:

- MI Global Engagement Plan Presentation
- Budget Bids Update
- Future of Local Government Reform Recommendations

Date: Tuesday, 13 February 2024

Purpose: To discuss:

- General Manager Mid-year Performance Review one-on-one

Date: Monday, 19 February 2024

Purpose: To discuss:

- Hobart City Deal, Greater Hobart Strategic Partnership

The Council meeting was live streamed on Council's website, Facebook page and YouTube channel. The peak number of viewers watching the live stream was 35 viewers and 14 members of the public attended in person.

The Chair opened the meeting at 3.30pm.

The Chair acknowledged and paid respect to the Tasmanian Aboriginal Community as the original and traditional owners and continuing custodians of the land and their elders, past, present and emerging.

The Chair read a statement noting that the meeting would be recorded and live streamed to members of the public, and about work health and safety at the Council meeting.

1. APOLOGIES

Alderman Sue Hickey (Deputy Mayor) and Alderman Dunsby.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution:

SLADE/ALDERTON

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday, 29 January 2024 be confirmed.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen King, Thomas, Cockshutt, Yaxley, Slade and Alderton,
Councillors Quick and Kendall.

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR

It gives me great pleasure to announce that over the weekend, both the Labor and Liberal parties announced \$5 million in funding for the Glenorchy pool. These election commitments are to allow for the pool to be repaired and reopened.

In announcing this, I acknowledge the role the community advocacy has played in achieving this funding, which will allow us to have the pool reopened while we continue to work on the long-term future of the pool facility.

The General Manager advises me that he will make comment and a further recommendation for elected members' consideration in relation to council's response to the election commitments at agenda item 9.

It is critical the work to explore options for the long-term future of the facility continues, and community consultation to help inform that future commences this week, with our consultant, MI Global Partners, undertaking a number of sessions for people to have input into what they would like to see happen at the pool site in the longer term.

I encourage all interested community members to participate in the consultation process to have their say on the long-term future of the pool.

4. PECUNIARY INTEREST NOTIFICATION

The Chairperson asked if any Aldermen had or were likely to have a pecuniary interest in any items on the agenda.

No declarations of pecuniary interest were declared.

5. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Question on notice – Leeanne Rose, Glenorchy

(Received Wednesday, 24 January 2024)

Q1: In the 'Consultant Commission Brief (CCB 953), Contract 953" why do Councils expectations/actions emphasized through-out this document state, 'alternative options' over and over for the pool site, even going as far as stating '(not just aquatic users)' the broader community etc., i.e. under headings: 'Enhanced recreational opportunities' 'Identification and analysis of multiple options to optimize recreational outcomes, (not just aquatic users) the broader community etc. Comprehensive Cost Benefit Analysis' 'analysis and evaluation of the whole-of-life costs and benefits of 'different alternatives' to ensure that the financial implications of each are clearly understood'.

Response:

The brief is clear that the scope of works includes consideration of both pool redevelopment, and alternative options. It is important that a potential investment of this scale is fully evaluated to ensure the costs, benefits and implications are clearly understood and supported by the community. A new aquatic facility will be evaluated in this process. It is possible that some in the community may wish for alternative options, and these should also be considered.

Q2: As per Mayor's previous interview (re. State Governments \$200,000 life line) with ABC's Lucy Breadan why isn't the Mayor sticking with State Fundings original purpose which was to use funding to investigate a 'Pool Recreation Precinct' in Glenorchy? Shouldn't that be the emphasis in all these above-named documents?

Response:

The State Government funding has been provided to undertake a study into the Glenorchy pool recreation precinct (i.e. 2A Anfield Street). This is consistent with the project that is being undertaken - "Investigation into Pool Redevelopment and Alternative Options - 2A Anfield Street Glenorchy".

**Question on notice – Andrew Beven, Glenorchy
(Received Monday, 29 January 2024)**

Q1: Derwent Valley Mayor Michelle Dracoulis, says she has written to you to offer access to the local facility this summer. I have not seen anything from Glenorchy Council advising residents of the offer of access to the New Norfolk pool. I may have missed it, but have you made any announcements/publications re this and what was the offer?

Response:

Council has not received any correspondence from the Derwent Valley Mayor or Council offering access to the New Norfolk pool.

There are a range of public aquatic facilities available in the region open to the general public, including Glenorchy residents, with associated standard entry fees.

The operators of each of these aquatic facilities have been supportive of helping to absorb potentially increased numbers of Glenorchy residents.

**Question on notice – Morris Malone, Glenorchy
(Received Monday, 5 February 2024)**

Q1: Would Council consider promulgating Workshop resources for public consumption to increase the transparency of Workshops, where/when it's appropriate to do so?

Response:

Generally, Council workshop materials are prepared for the purpose of briefing elected members and generating discussion that serves as background on matters coming to a Council meeting for decision. Workshops are not decision-making forums and are not a meeting of Council as defined in the *Local Government Act 1993*. Workshops are not compulsory and are not governed by the same requirements which apply to Council meetings.

The refined substance of workshop briefings typically become an attachment to, or text within, the published Council meeting agenda. A recent example was a workshop on the Future of Local Government review where Elected Members provided comment to inform a submission. Along with officer comments, these form part of the draft submission brought to Council for formal consideration and decision at a Council meeting.

Q2: Because the Lacus report is based on assumptions which involved a non-invasive visual inspection not conducted by a qualified Quantity Surveyor, can Council provide any details about the scope of inquiry for the next-phase consultancy that is anticipated to undertake further examination of the pool?

Response:

The pool inspections were undertaken by aquatic engineering specialists Lacus Consulting. The current study, to Investigate Pool Redevelopment and Alternative Options at 2A Anfield Street Glenorchy, includes provisions for a qualified quantity surveyor to ensure that there is a reasonable level of confidence in the cost estimates of concepts that are considered, including a redeveloped aquatic facility.

**Question on notice – Nicole Vout, Claremont
(Received Sunday, 18 February 2024)**

Q1: Is it professional and ethical for the Mayor to advertise her personal Mental Health First Aid Training Consultancy on the reverse of her Mayoral business cards, that are handed to constituents at meetings in chambers:

Q2: Who in Council/local government approved the above (refer question 1) and when?

Q3: Even if the Mayor paid for these cards personally, is it not considered a Conflict of Interests? Is it registered?

Response [General Manager]:

It is a matter for each elected member to manage their interests in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993* and the Code of Conduct.

It is not the role of Council officers to adjudicate on the conduct of elected members in relation to how they manage their interests.

If a person asserts there has been a conflict of interest breach, there are avenues available to them, including through Code of Conduct complaints and the Office of Local Government.

I am advised the Mayor privately arranged for the printing of her business cards and paid for them herself.

Q4: Has the Mayor undertaken any such Consultancy for GCC, paid or unpaid?

Response [General Manager]:

No.

6. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (15 MINUTES)

Question without notice – Karen Forster, Montrose

Q1: Praxis Environment is owned by Mr Brad Williams, a former employee of Glenorchy City Council. Is that truly independent and transparent?

A: [General Manager] Brad Williams is experienced and eminently qualified and left his employment in July 2009, 14 years ago, so there is quite a long separation between his employment with Council and this commission.

Q2: Will you defer the passing of the Praxis environment report until the true history of the land encompassed within the pool precinct is more comprehensively researched and will you as a Council acknowledge the contribution of the Mollineaux family and especially Mr Bertie Mollineaux, a WW1 veteran who was injured twice on the Western Front and was a land holder with extensive holdings within the City?

A: [General Manager] The recommendation tonight is to receive and note the Praxis Report and I believe the reply back to Ms Forster was that we would welcome further contributions in relation to this and other pool related matters as part of the process. So, my understanding is that there is some work being undertaken more generally in relation to local heritage listings to be brought forward to the GPA at a future date as part of the planning scheme. There is certainly the opportunity to bring that information to bear and have a more fulsome picture.

[Mayor] We welcome you providing that information. It's not too late for it to be included as part of this broader project that MI Global are undertaking. Thank you for bringing it to our attention.

Question without notice –Janiece Bryan, Montrose

Q1: There is a large amount of almost \$9 million or 9% of the budget for City Leadership shown on the Rate Notice brochure. What is that for?

A: [Mayor] The question was taken on notice.

Q2: The Pool Investigation is linked to returning a profit on investment. Why isn't the Government funding this major preventative health care and essential community facility and asset that they are legally responsible for providing and will the widespread preventative health savins for the medical, hospital, mental disability services and allied health budgets including physiotherapy be costed into the return on investment for the pool calculations, and if not, the methodology being used is fatally flawed?

A: [General Manager] MI Global as part of the project, will be looking at cost benefit analysis for the pool project. I don't know precisely whether they'll be taking into account non-financial costs and benefits, but we're certainly happy to make that inquiry and come back with the result.

[Director Infrastructure and Works] The cost benefit analysis may not show a profit because of the ongoing operating costs would have to be funded by ratepayers, but we would have to wait until we actually get that cost benefit analysis to determine whether there is a surplus or deficit.

[Mayor] Do you know if it will include non-pecuniary benefits, like non-financial benefits in terms of preventative health measures?

[Director Infrastructure and Works] MI Global will be considering some non-asset type benefits that would contribute, once again that is hard to quantify.

[Mayor] The consultation process that kicks off this week is the perfect opportunity to ask MI Global some of those questions about the methodology that they'll be using. They will be extremely interested to hear from community members and be able to provide community members with assurances to the methodology that they use. I encourage you to ask that of MI Global in the opportunities being provided this week.

[Ms Bryan] I would like Council to speak to MI Global or advise them that it has to be part of that benefit analysis and that there needs to be costing. It is a financial thing, I know you say it is not, but it is a financial thing for the budgets and the struggling health system.

Question without notice – Mala Crew, Glenorchy

Q1: I noticed that you have shared a post on the Prime Minister being booed and have turned off comments on your Mayoral Facebook page. My question is how can the Community interact with you effectively? If we cannot comment on social media we're shutdown in community yarns, which are in itself a farce. We are repeatedly interrupted by yourself during public question time because you do not understand that a question has to have some commentary in order to lend perspective. You do not return calls, and this is from personal experience made to the Council switchboard and to your mobile phone. You do not answer emails promptly and finally rejecting my request to address Council on a serious community matter despite my assurance that I will restrict my address to the matter at hand. The excuse that you gave was that the matter is sub judice. As a qualified lawyer, I can assure you that I will not commit the equivalent of sub judice contempt.

A: [Mayor] I turn off comments on my Facebook page as I use Facebook as a communication tool rather than an engagement tool. I am responsive to community members and I think I replied to your email three days after you sent it, which is well within Council's Customer Service Charter commitment in terms of service levels and responsiveness to a request. I certainly do return phone calls when messages are left on my personal mobile. I don't recall having a message left on my personal mobile by you. I'm happy to be corrected if there has been a message on my phone, but I quite publicly advertise my mobile phone number and my email address. As I've said to you and a number of community members on a number of occasions, my door is always open. I am always happy to meet with community members face to face to discuss issues in a more fulsome manner than during public question time. I am certainly available and that offer remains open.

Q2: My second question is, it is a well-known fact that local government is a training ground for career politicians. Having sent mixed messages to both the community and your Alderman on the subject of the Glenorchy War Memorial pool, and considering the angst and the lack of trust that you've sewn into the fabric of the community as Mayor, not to mention the absence of reciprocity as it pertains to respect to public meetings, is there any credence to the rumour that you will be running in the Legislative Council elections in May?

A: [Mayor] Ms Crew, that is a matter for me to determine at such time as I wish. Right now I am solely focused on serving the community of Glenorchy as Mayor, and there has been no evidence to suggest otherwise. So I'm not sure where those rumours are circulating from. There is certainly nothing to suggest that it is a decision that I have made.

Question without notice – Deanne Gillie/Shaw, Granton

Q1: With reference to the hydrotherapy pool that was built by Council and leased to Revive, who then sublet to St Giles, what was the date the building and the pool defects were rectified so that the lease payments were started?

A: [Mayor] The question was taken on notice.

Q2: Are any of the Aldermen aware of the lease agreement with the Glenorchy Council and Revive, how much longer the lease could be and is there any way of some provisions being made so that more people can access this facility?

A: [Mayor] A workshop is scheduled in the near future to discuss exactly this topic. The community will be made aware of the visions and the opportunities going forward.

Question without notice – Leeanne Rose, Glenorchy

Q1: In the project outline investigating full redevelopment and other options, on page 8 it details a reference group comprising representative of KGV precinct, ratepayers and community members. Could you please advise us who are the members of these reference groups?

A: [Director Infrastructure and Works] That was the part of the original options scope, just after the pool closed. When the tender documents went out that governance structure changed slightly. There is still a reference group, but it is more of a stakeholder group which still involves specific stakeholders like sporting clubs in the KGV precinct and its occupiers. They will be liaised with by MI Global and they will report back to Council with information that they provide back to MI Global.

[Mayor] To add to that, MI Global's approach has been to engage with the community more fully and broadly through the extensive consultation sessions that are being held this week, including the meeting tomorrow night was the way, as I have asked the same question, and my understanding was MI Global thought that meeting the group tomorrow night at KGV is a more effective way to ensure more people can have a say in that targeted way.

Q2: How did you (Mayor) and the Aldermen make the decision to close and then empty the pool permanently, which was contrary to the Lacus engineer report that was paid for by ratepayers, putting the lining and mastic seals at further risk, without even knowing the cost of the full repairs? So how and why did you make that decision without having that knowledge prior?

A: [Mayor] [Mayor] I feel like we have answered this previously. The decision to close the pool was a decision made by the General Manager in his capacity as a person conducting a business or undertaking given the significant health and safety risks posed by the condition of the pool assets as outlined in the report. So that was a decision taken by the General Manager to protect public safety. In terms of emptying the pool the Director might be able to provide more detail. But my understanding again was that was in response to concerns about the water stagnating and not being able to run a pump to be able to filter the water given the safety risks posed by our switchboard system.

[Director Infrastructure and Works] That is accurate, the switchboard is condemned and so it shouldn't be operated, which means we can't turn on pumps or the filtration system. We can't circulate the water. It will stagnate. There are also safety concerns with the pool being unoccupied and unused, that if people got in, there's a safety risk of people falling in. So that decision was made to empty the pool for those factors.

[Mrs Rose] With that in mind, we have got the \$5 million offer from both governments, will you fill the pool up until that money is provided. The Lacus report says that if you don't fill it up, basically the lining will dry out and crack, so will you take precautions so that doesn't happen?

[Mayor] I think the General Manager and Director may have a bit more to say on this when we get to agenda item 9. I ask if you hold that over and we will ensure if it's not answered then, we will answer it in writing.

Question without notice – Tracey Smith, Glenorchy

Q1: If the \$5 million promise from the major parties actually does eventuate and we do know that it's an election promise, so it may never ever turn up, do we have the support from other Council Alderman to repair the pool?

A: [Mayor] I clarify that, certainly, whilst I welcomed the announcement of the election commitments over the weekend, I as one elected member can't make the decision to accept funding or make a captain's call to repair the pool. That will be a decision that will be subject to the full Council. I'll just ask again that you wait for agenda item 9 where we will be considering Council's response to the election commitments.

Q2: In the tender document that was awarded to MI Global, whose decision was it to include the exploration of the alternate options for the pool site? Did that come from Council or was that written in the document by someone else?

A: [Mayor] The General Manager prepared a project brief in terms of exploring options for the future of 2a Anfield Street, including pool redevelopment and alternative options. That was a project proposal put together by the General Manager for the purpose of procuring a consultancy to undertake that work and that report was put to Council for receipt and noting, rather than for endorsement. But, I expect, had Elected Members had an issue with what was included in the content of the report, they would have sought to have the brief amended or moved an alternative motion, and that didn't happen. So I guess the General Manager, by way of Council receiving and noting the project brief as it was, had the support of Council in investigating all options for the future of the site, recognising that, whilst, as I've said a number of times, most of us, I think around the table and certainly myself, want a pool just as much as everyone else in the community, but we can't send the community broke doing it. So the important thing is that we explore all options and have a full picture of costs and benefits and a full analysis before we are to make an informed decision about the future of the site.

7. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS

The General Manager reported that there were no petitions or deputations, however agenda Item 9, deals with a petition tabled at the January meeting seeking a public meeting to discuss pool related concerns and seeking urgent repair and reopening of the pool.

COMMUNITY

Community Goal – Making Lives Better

8. ACTIVITIES OF THE MAYOR

File Reference: Mayoral Announcements

Reporting Brief:

To receive an update on the recent activities of the Mayor.

Resolution:

KING/KENDALL

That Council:

1. RECEIVE the report about the activities of Mayor Thomas during the period from Monday, 22 January 2024 to Sunday, 18 February 2024.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen King, Thomas, Cockshutt, Yaxley, Slade and Alderton,
Councillors Quick and Kendall.

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

9. PETITION SEEKING PUBLIC MEETING AND POOL REPAIR AND REOPENING

File Reference: 2A Anfield Street

Reporting Brief:

For Council to consider a petition tabled at the Council meeting on 29 January requesting a public meeting about the Glenorchy War Memorial Pool and seeking its urgent repair and re-opening.

Resolution:

COCKSHUTT/KING

That Council:

1. NOTE the receipt and tabling of a petition on 29 January 2024 requesting a public meeting about the Glenorchy War Memorial Pool and seeking its urgent repair and re-opening, which was signed by 4536 signatories of which 3056 had Glenorchy addresses.
2. NOTE the submission of a supplementary petition with the same request on 5 February 2024 which was signed by 50 signatories of which 32 had Glenorchy addresses.
3. DETERMINE that the following actions be taken in response to the petition:
 - a. that a public meeting be held at 6.00pm on 27 March 2024 in the Jack Rough Room at KGV, 1A Anfield Street, Glenorchy to address Glenorchy War Memorial Pool-related concerns including its urgent repair and reopening;
 - b. that the meeting be publicised in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1993* including its date, time and place; and inviting written submissions to the General Manager in relation to the subject matter;
 - c. that the petition's request relating to urgent repair and reopening of the pool be referred to the independent expert consultants undertaking the Pool Redevelopment and Alternative Options project with instruction that it be included within the scope of the project.

4. NOTE that there will be extensive opportunities for community input as part of the Pool Redevelopment and Alternative Options project which is currently underway, and that the consultants will carefully consider and analyse the options put to them, before bringing their recommendations back to Council for its further consideration.
5. In light of the bipartisan election commitments of \$5m funding, DIRECT the General Manager to identify priority works required and start planning to safely repair and reopen the Glenorchy War Memorial Pool, while long-term solutions are being explored.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen King, Thomas, Cockshutt, Yaxley, Slade and Alderton,
Councillors Quick and Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

10. FUTURE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW FINAL REPORT SUBMISSION

File Reference: Local Government Reform

Reporting Brief:

To seek Council's endorsement of a submission to the Local Government Board about the recommendations of the Future of Local Government Review Final Report.

Resolution:

QUICK/KENDALL

That Council:

1. MAKE a submission to the Minister for Local Government in response to his invitation to comment on the Local Government Board's Future of Local Government Review Final Report, October 2023 in the terms set out under the heading "Submission summary" in this Report and the Submission in Detail in [\(Attachment 3\)](#).

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen King, Thomas, Cockshutt, Yaxley, Slade and Alderton,
Councillors Quick and Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

ENVIRONMENT

Community Goal – Valuing our Environment

11. STATEMENT OF LOCAL HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE FOR GLENORCHY WAR MEMORIAL POOL

File Reference: 2A Anfield Street

Reporting Brief:

To brief Council on a Council-commissioned Statement of Local Cultural Heritage Significance of the Glenorchy War Memorial Pool prepared by Praxis Environment, enabling its release to the public.

Resolution:

KING/COCKSHUTT

That Council:

1. RECEIVE and NOTE a Council-commissioned Statement of Local Heritage Significance for the Glenorchy War Memorial Pool prepared by Brad Williams BA.Hons Archaeology, G.Dip Maritime Archaeology, MA Cultural Heritage Management, Historical Archaeologist, Heritage Consultant and Director of Praxis Environment as set out in Attachment 1.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen King, Thomas, Cockshutt, Yaxley, Slade and Alderton,
Councillors Quick and Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

GOVERNANCE

Community Goal – Leading our Community

12. FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT TO 31 JANUARY 2024

File Reference: Corporate and Financial Reporting

Reporting Brief:

To provide Council with the monthly Financial Performance Report for the period ending 31 January 2024.

Resolution:

YAXLEY/COCKSHUTT

That Council:

1. RECEIVE and NOTE the Financial Performance Report for the year-to-date ending 31 January 2024 as set out in Attachment 1.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen King, Thomas, Cockshutt, Yaxley, Slade and Alderton,
Councillors Quick and Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

13. 2023/24 MID YEAR BUDGET REVIEW

File Reference: 2023/24 Budget

Reporting Brief:

To report to Council the review of the 2023/24 budget estimates and pursuant to Section 82(4) of the *Local Government Act 1993* recommend Council approves alterations to the current estimates as detailed in this report.

Resolution:

YAXLEY/KENDALL

That Council:

1. APPROVE the alterations to Council's 2023/24 Budget estimates set out in Attachment 1 and specifically:
 - (a) An increase in estimated operating revenue from \$72.814 million to \$74.702 million
 - (b) A decrease in estimated operating expenditure from \$74.115 million to \$73.815 million
 - (c) An increase in estimated capital revenue from \$12.698 million to \$15.599 million
2. NOTE no change to the total estimated capital works expenditure of \$32.686 million
3. NOTE the reallocation of budgeted capital expenditure between individual capital works projects resulting in no change to the bottom line, and that details on capital expenditure changes are provided in a report entitled 'Capital Expenditure Status Report' to this meeting.
4. AMEND the 2023/24 Fees and Charges schedule to include 3 litre Sharps Disposal Containers for \$16.70 GST inclusive.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen King, Thomas, Cockshutt, Yaxley, Slade and Alderton,
Councillors Quick and Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY.

14. CAPITAL WORKS STATUS REPORT

File Reference: Capital Works

Reporting Brief:

To provide a capital works status update report to Council and report changes to the Capital works program budget.

Resolution:

QUICK/KENDALL

That Council:

1. RECEIVE and NOTE the capital works status report to 31 January 2024 with the budget variation table.
2. APPROVE changes to the composition of the 2023/24 capital expenditure budget as detailed in Table 1, noting there is no change in overall expenditure.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen King, Thomas, Cockshutt, Yaxley and Slade, Councillors Quick and Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

Alderman Alderton left the room at 4:55pm and was not present to vote on the motion for item 14.

Alderman Alderton returned to the room at 4:58pm.

15. QUARTERLY REPORT - Q2 - PERIOD ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2023

File Reference: Corporate Reporting

Reporting Brief:

To present Council's Quarterly Report for the quarter ending 31 December 2023.

Resolution:

SLADE/COCKSHUTT

That Council:

1. RECEIVE and NOTE Council's Quarterly Report and Quarterly Annual Plan Progress Reports for the quarter ending 31 December 2023.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen King, Thomas, Cockshutt, Yaxley, Slade and Alderton,
Councillors Quick and Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

16. PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACTS EXEMPTIONS REPORT

File Reference: Procurement

Reporting Brief:

To inform Council of a procurement exemption under Council's Investment of Short-Term Funds policy and to recommend an increase to the maximum individual investment exposure.

Resolution:

SLADE/YAXLEY

That Council:

1. RECEIVE and NOTE the Procurement and Contracts Report relating to approved temporary quote variations to investments required in clause 4(d) of the Investment of Short-Term Funds policy.
2. APPROVE an interim variation to the Investment of Short-Term Funds Policy to increase the maximum individual investment exposure to \$15 million pursuant to clause 4(h) of the Policy, to be in force until the policy review date of 29 November 2025.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen King, Thomas, Cockshutt, Yaxley, Slade and Alderton,
Councillors Quick and Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

17. NOTICES OF MOTIONS – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE / WITHOUT NOTICE

Motion without notice – Councillor Kendall

Reporting Brief:

We all want every individual in our community to feel safe and welcome, no matter their background, what clothing they might wear, or the colour of their skin. Unfortunately, racially motivated attacks are on the rise, and it's set to worsen in the years to come with global pressures, war and climate displacement. As the most culturally diverse local government area in Tasmania, I want us to take affirmative action now to combat racism in the Northern Suburbs and support all our diverse residents to feel safe and welcome.

Resolution:

KENDALL/KING

That Council:

1. REQUEST that officers:
 - a) Prepare a report on actions that the Council is taking to combat racially-motivated attacks and racism in our area, and;
 - b) Communicate with the Multicultural Council of Tasmania to express the willingness of Elected Members to participate in roundtable discussions.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen King, Thomas, Cockshutt, Yaxley, Slade and Alderton,
Councillors Quick and Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED

Resolution:

KING/ALDERTON

That the meeting be closed to the public to allow discussion of matters that are described in Regulation 15 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen King, Thomas, Cockshutt, Yaxley, Slade and Alderton,
Councillors Quick and Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

The meeting was closed to members of the public and the live stream was terminated at 5:25pm.

The Chair adjourned the meeting for a 5 minute break.

CLOSED TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Closed session commenced at 5:35pm

18. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (CLOSED MEETING)

Resolution:

KENDALL/YAXLEY

That the minutes of the Council meeting (closed meeting) held on Monday, 29 January 2024 be confirmed.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen King, Thomas, Cockshutt, Yaxley, Slade and Alderton,
Councillors Quick and Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

19. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

GOVERNANCE

Community Goal – Leading our Community

20. AUDIT PANEL MINUTES

This item is to be considered at a closed meeting of the Council by authority of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 Regulation 15(2)(g) (Information of a personal and confidential nature or information provided to the Council on the condition it is kept confidential).

21. REQUEST FOR TENDER NO. 918 NORTH CHIGWELL SOCCER CLUBROOMS AND CHANGEROOMS CONSTRUCTION - REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO AWARD THE CONTRACT

This item is to be considered at a closed meeting of the Council by authority of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 Regulation 15(2)(d) (Contracts and tenders, for the supply and purchase of goods and services and their terms, conditions, approval and renewal).

22. NOTICES OF MOTIONS – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE / WITHOUT NOTICE (CLOSED)

Resolution:

SLADE/KING

That the meeting be moved back into open Council.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen King, Thomas, Cockshutt, Yaxley, Slade and Alderton,
Councillors Quick and Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

The Chair closed the meeting at 6:12PM.

Confirmed,

CHAIR