



Unconfirmed minutes

The following are the unconfirmed minutes of the Glenorchy City Council Meeting held on Monday, 28 July 2025.

The minutes will remain provisional until confirmed at the next ordinary meeting of the Council.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Glenorchy City Council held at the Council Chambers on Monday, 28 July 2025 at 3:30 PM



**Present
(in Chambers):**

Alderman Sue Hickey (Mayor), Aldermen Shane Alderton, Josh Cockshutt, Steven King, Tim Marks, Peter Ridler, Stuart Slade, Justin Stringer, Russell Yaxley (Deputy Mayor) and Councillor Molly Kendall

**In attendance
(in Chambers):**

Emilio Reale (Chief Executive Officer), Tracey Ehrlich (Director Community and Corporate Services), Luke Chiu (Acting Director Infrastructure and Development), Christine Lane (Manager Stakeholder and Executive), Emma Watkins (Coordinator Executive and Strategy)

**In attendance
(by video link):**

Mandy Henderson (Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer)

Leave of absence:

Workshops held since last Council Meeting**Date:** Monday, 7 July 2025**Purpose:** To present and discuss at an OPEN workshop:

- Bridgewater Bridge Project

Date: Monday, 14 July 2025**Purpose:** To present and discuss:

- Planning Institute of Australia Hobart to Glenorchy Urban Renewal Project (H2G), presentation on the project for the transit corridor
- Minutes and Agenda improvements

Date: Monday, 21 July 2025**Purpose:** To present and discuss:

- Proposed property disposals updates
- Car Parking Plan and Cash In-lieu
- Montrose Foreshore Boardwalk

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 25 viewers and 3 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 and present.

We acknowledge the muwinina people as the traditional owners of this land. We recognise the Tasmanian Aboriginal people as the original owners and continuing custodians of the land, sky and country and waters of this island, lutruwita. We pay our respect to Aboriginal Elders, past and present. We commit to working in a way that welcomes and respects all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

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

None.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution:

MARKS/SLADE

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday, 30 June 2025 be confirmed.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Alderton, Cockshutt, Hickey, King, Marks, Ridler, Slade, Stringer, Yaxley and Councillor Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR

Poker Machines

- I want to address the story in today's media about Glenorchy being the local government area with the largest losses on poker machines.
- We know that, like many communities, poker machines can and do impact people's lives.
- This is obviously extremely concerning, particularly when we know that people who can least afford it are losing money.
- I believe these figures demonstrate a clear case to whoever forms government that stronger harm minimisation is required, particularly in communities like our own.
- We know that gambling can be harmful. We know that these machines are addictive, and we know that some people lose complete agency over their lives and end up feeding their last dollar trying to chase a high of winning while their kids are going hungry.
- Council has a Statement of Commitment on Gambling that can be found on our website.

The Pool

- Repair works have commenced and an outline of a project plan has been posted on Council's website.

Youth Engagement

- We saw good youth engagement during the recent school holidays, with many young people joining in the daily activities on the front lawns of Council.
- The high-profile policing through Taskforce Respect is continuing to show good results with positive feedback from community and businesses in Glenorchy.
- I want to thank Council's youth engagement officers for the work they are doing with young people to engage them in positive activities and refer them to supports and services when needed.
- Youth engagement is a continued commitment of Council. Delivering programs to improve opportunities for our young people is a priority action, as is seeking funding and develop a project plan for a Glenorchy Youth Hub.
- Without pre-empting tonight's agenda, there is an item that, if passed, will provide the appropriate space for a youth hub and set the foundation for our youth engagement activities into the future.

YMCA Update

- The CEO and I recently met with YMCA CEO Richard Martin to get an update on the status of the upgrade of the facility in Glenorchy, and to discuss how Council and the Y can work together once they open.
- The YMCA are currently looking at the programs they will run from the upgraded facility here in Glenorchy, and which tenants they will collaborate with.
- Practical completion is scheduled for the end of September and occupancy for October. They are planning to resume services soon after that.
- Whilst we are planning to work more closely with the YMCA once they recommence their activities, I would like to stress that Council does not have any direct oversight of, or control over the running of the YMCA.

Main Road Moonah facelift

- Council is planning a project to improve the Moonah CBD.
- A forum to engage with traders about this project - the Main Road Moonah Amenity Program - will be hosted by Inspiring Place at the Moonah Arts Centre, 5.30pm, Tuesday, 5th of August.
- Invitations have gone out and I encourage all Moonah traders to participate in this event and help shape the future of the Moonah strip.

Keeping community up to date

- We are continually looking for ways to keep community up-to-date with what we are doing to make Glenorchy a better place.
- You may have noticed on our social media platforms that we are building an impressive library of videos that demonstrate the depth and breadth of what goes on at Council.
- These videos are proving to be very popular and are helping drive up our digital engagement.
- If you aren't on the socials these videos can be viewed on our website. Simply search for community videos and you will be taken to the library.

North Chigwell Soccer Hub

- On Tuesday, 5th of August, Senator Carol Brown and I will officially open the North Chigwell Soccer Hub.
- This project has seen the construction of new changerooms, clubrooms and public amenities.
- It was funded by the Federal Government with a \$12.8 million package that was split between KGV and this project.

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.

Alderman King declared a pecuniary interest in item 9.

5. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

None.

6. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (15 MINUTES)

Please note:

The Council Meeting is a formal meeting of the Elected Members elected by the Glenorchy community. It is chaired by the Mayor. Public question time is an opportunity in the formal meeting for the public to ask questions of their elected Council representatives about the matters that affect ratepayers and citizens.

In accordance with regulation 31(2) and (3) (Public question time) Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, Council will allocate 15 minutes during each Council Meeting to invite members of the public to ask questions relating to the activities of Council.

The following rules and procedures apply to Public Question Time:

1. questions must relate to the activities of Council
2. members of the public are to announce their name and residential address before asking a question (which will be recorded in the minutes)
3. questions are to be put succinctly and in the form of a question, not a comment
4. questions must not be inflammatory, abusive, defamatory, contain a personal attack or otherwise breach any rules of the meeting which have been explained by the Chairperson
5. the Chairperson may limit the number of questions asked by each member of the public in order to ensure that all members of the public wishing to ask questions are given the opportunity within the allocated time
6. the Chairperson will decide the order in which questions are to be asked and may rotate the order between different members of the public if individuals have more than one question to ask
7. the Chairperson may, in their absolute discretion:
 - a) refuse to answer a question if the Chairperson deems that it is inappropriate or does not comply with these rules or the rules of the Council meeting, or
 - b) take a question 'on notice', in which case the answer will be provided in writing prior the next Council meeting and included on the agenda for the next Council meeting
8. if a question is taken on notice, the Chairperson may request that the member of the public submit their question in writing and may refuse to provide a response if the question is not provided as requested, and
9. the 15 minutes allocated for Public Question Time may be extended at the discretion of the Chairperson at the conclusion of the time period. Council is to publish information relating to Public Question Time, including any additional rules and procedures, on Council's website.

Question without notice – Mala Crew, Glenorchy

Q1: With the proposed transfer of the Golden Years Club to the Salvation Army and the reciprocal transfer to the current building in Terry Street, the figures do not add up. Has one side been valued commercially and the other by the Valuer General?

A1: [CEO] I can confirm there will be independent valuations undertaken on both properties with Council initiating one and also the Salvation Army initiating one.

Q2: Will they be valued by the Valuer General or would you get a market valuation?

A2: [CEO] It will be a market valuation

[Acting Director Infrastructure and Development] I can clarify, the Salvation Army site is not just the downstairs floor, they also own the entire top floor of that building.

Question without notice – Janiece Bryan, Montrose

Q1: Will the Resolution of the Council Agenda for Item 9, include Council's commitment to establish a permanent Youth Centre in Glenorchy CBD again?

A1: [Acting Director Infrastructure and Development] The intent of the report makes it clear that Council wants and is working towards the Youth Hub in Glenorchy. There is still a lot of work to do and without pre-empting tonight's decision, future reports will be brought to Council with a resolution to that affect. Today's resolution is asking for Council to start that process.

Q2: With reference to the workshop on 21 July and also 14 July, it mentioned the Montrose Boardwalk, Car Parking Plan and Cash-in-lieu for the Montrose Foreshore Boardwalk. What were those discussions about?

A2: [CEO] They were about the maintenance activities that are going to be required into the future. Sections of it may have to be closed to complete the works. This would be advertised to the public and there will be a lot of consultation that goes on, basically it is to do the required works to extend the life further.

Q3: So, no proposal to dispose of the Boardwalk?

A3: [CEO] No, there is no proposal to dispose of it. The proposal is to extend its life into the future.

Q4: The sale of Wilkinson Point included 15 hectares in the announcement which includes the boardwalk, my concern is that it will be disposed of?

A3: [CEO] There is an agreement that the walking track and boardwalk remains Council property and accessible to the public.

Question without notice – Eddy Steenberg, Rosetta

Q1: My first question relates to McGill Rise as I noticed in the paper last week that there was a hearing scheduled in the Supreme Court. I wondered what the results of that hearing were. C

A1: [CEO] The hearing was about an appealed decision regarding the removal of fill of one of the vacant sites and so it is not about the actual building properties. There was a ruling that it was to be removed off the sites and the developer was to undertake that. The developer appealed that and disputed the fact that he had to do it. The outcome was that the decision was upheld, and he has to remove the fill.

Q2: Is that the end of the matter?

A2: [CEO] No, that is the end of that particular matter about the fill, but the other ongoing matters about the properties themselves are still ongoing.

Q3: With the Quarterly Report, there is a Federal Assistance Grant. I don't know very much about that, but it appears we have only got three quarters of it now, and will get the other quarter at some point in the future?

A3: [CEO] In the past, Federal Assistance Grants are given to virtually all local government authorities. The Federal Government have been issuing those in advance for some time and the amounts we have been receiving can vary at times. Whilst we anticipated the full amount, they made a decision to only give us part of the amount, and the remaining amount will be forthcoming in this financial year.

Q4: There is a mention of a special dividend for water. Given that TasWater just announced that they are proposing to increase their fees for infrastructure upgrades, can you tell me about the dividend?

A4: [CEO] It is a catch-up or payback from when the dividends were held back during COVID, so it is to bring us back to where we should be because the amount that COVID cost, was less than expected. Council won't be expected to contribute to this infrastructure upgrade in any way. They have their own financial plan and some of the major upgrades may involve loans into the future for all that infrastructure.

Q5: It is noted that there is consistent underspend on employment costs.

A5: [CEO] The recruiting process can take a little while. When vacancies arise there is a delay due to advertising and filling the roles that results in an ongoing vacancy rate. It is not something that we deliberately hold, we do not have any restrictions on filling vacant positions. There are some professions that are harder to recruit at the moment.

Q6: I have looked at the attachments to the agenda and the minutes of the Jobs Hub Steering Committee. What do they do?

A6: [Director Community and Corporate Services] The Jobs Hub is funded by the State Government, and it is an open door to encourage employment within the Glenorchy area. We have a State Government grant, and a funding agreement attached, and we need to deliver in accordance with that. The Committee is to oversee the growth and development of the Jobs Hub. The Mayor sits on the steering committee.

[Mayor] It is a tiny group of staff who really work hard, they are totally devoted to connecting people with long-term unemployment issues. They go above and beyond the normal type of job placement issues where some people are not employed because of lots of social dysfunction in their lives, so we get them the help they need. It's a fantastic organisation to have in our city.

7. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS

None.

COMMUNITY

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8. ACTIVITIES OF THE MAYOR

File Reference:

Reports

Reporting Brief:

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

Resolution:

SLADE/ALDERTON

That Council:

1. RECEIVE the report about the activities of Mayor Hickey and Deputy Mayor Yaxley during the period from Monday, 23 June 2025 to Sunday, 20 July 2025.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Alderton, Cockshutt, Hickey, King, Marks, Ridler, Slade, Stringer, Yaxley and Councillor Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

Alderman King left the meeting at 3:57pm in accordance with his previously declared interest in item 9.

9. INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE POTENTIAL DISPOSAL OF 314 (FORMER GOLDEN YEARS CLUB), 316, AND 322 MAIN ROAD, GLENORCHY

File Reference: 314, 316 and 322 Main Road, Glenorchy

Reporting Brief:

This report is to recommend Council begins to action the results that were received from the Expression of Interest process regarding alternative uses for the 314 Main Road Glenorchy site (former Golden Years Club), 316, and 322 Main Road Glenorchy (former bowls and croquet club) and seek approval to commence preliminary investigations into potential disposal.

Resolution:

ALDERTON/COCKSHUTT

That Council:

1. ENDORSE the commencement of investigations into the potential disposal of 314 Main Road Glenorchy (CT 69434/2 and part of CT 226145/1) by way of exclusive dealing with the Salvation Army, conditional on a successful property swap/sale agreement with the Salvation Army for 1/370 Main Road, and that it will not be pursued for disposal otherwise.
2. ENDORSE the commencement of investigations into the potential disposal of 316 and 322 Main Road Glenorchy (part of CT 179404/1 and part of CT 226145/1) by way of exclusive dealing with the Salvation Army, conditional on a successful property swap/sale agreement with the Salvation Army for 1/370 Main Road in the first instance, and that if that negotiation fails continue the disposal process for the open market.
3. AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer to undertake a community engagement process to identify any concerns about the potential disposal of the properties.
4. REQUIRE a further report to Council summarising the feedback received (and identifying any concerns) and seeking approval to proceed or not proceed with the statutory processes for public land disposal.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Alderton, Cockshutt, Hickey, Marks, Ridler, Slade, Stringer, Yaxley and Councillor Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

Alderman King was not present for the voting on item 9 and returned to the meeting at 4:13pm.

10. FEEDBACK FROM THE INVESTIGATION INTO THE POTENTIAL DISPOSAL OF PART OF 10 BUCAAN STREET, CHIGWELL

File Reference: Council Land - Disposal and Sale

Reporting Brief:

To report to Council on the outcomes of the community engagement process for the potential disposal of part of 10 Bucaan Street, Chigwell (the Land), by way of donation to Bucaan Community House, and recommend that Council proceeds with the public land disposal process under section 178 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act).

Resolution:

COCKSHUTT/SLADE

That Council:

1. ENDORSE the commencement of investigations into the potential disposal of part of 10 Bucaan Street, Chigwell (CT 250671/1) by donation to Bucaan Community House, on the basis that the Land be returned to Council if it is no longer used for an approved community purpose.
2. AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer to take all actions necessary to complete the public notification of Council's intent to dispose the land in accordance with Section 178 of the *Local Government Act 1993* and Council's *Disposal of Council Land Policy*; and
3. AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer to consider and acknowledge any objection received pursuant to Section 178(6) of the *Local Government Act 1993* and report to a future Council meeting.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Alderton, Cockshutt, Hickey, King, Marks, Ridler, Slade, Stringer, Yaxley and Councillor Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

11. FEEDBACK FROM THE INVESTIGATION INTO THE POTENTIAL DISPOSAL OF PART OF 318 MAIN ROAD, GLENORCHY (ALSO KNOWN AS PART OF EADY STREET RESERVE)

File Reference: Council Land - Disposal and Sale

Reporting Brief:

To report to Council on the outcomes of the community engagement process for the potential disposal of part of 318 Main Road, Glenorchy, also known as Part of Eady Street Reserve (the Land). This would be by way of an exclusive dealing and recommend that Council proceeds with the public land disposal process under section 178 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act).



Figure 1 – Part of 318 Main Road, Glenorchy

Resolution:

KING/YAXLEY

That Council:

1. FORM an intention under section 178 of the *Local Government Act 1993* to dispose of part of 318 Main Road, Glenorchy (CT 213876/1) by exclusive dealing to Homes Tasmania.
2. AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer to take all actions necessary to complete the public notification of Council's intent to sell the land in accordance with section 178 of the *Local Government Act 1993* and Council's *Disposal of Council Land Policy*.
3. AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer to consider and acknowledge any objection received pursuant to section 178(6) of the *Local Government Act 1993* and report to a future Council meeting.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Cockshutt, Hickey, King, Marks, Ridler, Slade, Stringer, Yaxley and Councillor Kendall

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN: Alderman Alderton

The motion was CARRIED.

GOVERNANCE

Community Goal – Leading our Community

12. QUARTERLY REPORT - Q4 - PERIOD ENDING 30 JUNE 2025

File Reference: Corporate Reporting

Reporting Brief:

To present Council's Quarterly Report for the quarter ending 30 June 2025.

Resolution:

STRINGER/COCKSHUTT

That Council:

1. RECEIVE and NOTE Council's Quarterly Report and Quarterly Annual Plan Progress Reports for the quarter ending 30 June 2025.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Alderton, Cockshutt, Hickey, King, Marks, Ridler, Slade, Stringer, Yaxley and Councillor Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

13. Q4 QUARTERLY COMMITTEES UPDATES

File Reference: Committees

Reporting Brief:

To provide a quarterly update and recommend that Council note the minutes for each of Council's Committees.

Resolution:

KING/COCKSHUTT

That Council:

1. RECEIVE an update on the activities of Council Committees for Quarter 4, 2024/25
2. NOTE the minutes of the Emergency Management Committee meeting at **Attachment 1** and the Jobs Hub Steering Committee at **Attachment 2**, and the Safer City Working Group at **Attachment 3** of this report.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Alderton, Cockshutt, Hickey, King, Ridler, Slade, Stringer, Yaxley, Kendall and Marks

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

14. PROCUREMENT EXEMPTIONS REPORT

File Reference: Governance

Reporting Brief:

To inform Council of procurement exemptions from Council's legislated procurement requirements.

Resolution:

KENDALL/MARKS

RECEIVE and NOTE the abridged quotation process for the Flood Monitoring Network equipment, operation and maintenance.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Alderton, Cockshutt, Hickey, King, Marks, Ridler, Slade, Stringer, Yaxley and Councillor Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

15. UPDATED COUNCIL POLICIES

File Reference: Council Policies

Reporting Brief:

To present the following reviewed policies for adoption:

- Meeting Procedures Policy
- Recording of Council Meetings Policy

Resolution:

KENDALL/KING

That Council:

1. ADOPT the revised Meeting Procedures Policy in **Attachment 2**
2. ADOPT the revised Recording of Council Meetings Policy in **Attachment 4**
3. AUTHORISE the CEO to make minor grammatical changes

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Alderton, Cockshutt, Hickey, King, Marks, Ridler, Slade, Stringer, Yaxley and Councillor Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

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

Question without notice - Alderman Yaxley

Q1: Could a report be brought back to Council to look at creating a refreshed master plan for the KGV sporting precinct?

A1: [CEO] We would be happy to do that. We may need some time to put a report together to bring it back to Council. We will be looking at them all systematically.

Question without notice – Alderman Cockshutt

Q1: Can the Council please update the plans for the KGV Cricket Centre and where the project is in its lifecycle?

A1: [CEO] The Cricket Club has a vision to build a new facility and replace its old Club Rooms. They would like indoor training nets and improved facilities. They are reliant on getting grant funding, so it is just a concept proposal at this stage. Andrew Wilkie asked us for an estimate on approximate costs. No commitment from the State Government to provide that funding, but we are continually working with the Cricket Club to refine their vision for that area and make sure that it fits in with what the Council would accept if they did get the funding. It would be linked towards a renewal rather than a whole new facility. We are aware of it, we have been working with them, but there is no funding commitment and no agreement by Council because that would have to come to the Elected Members to approve.

Resolution:

KING/SLADE

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 Alderton, Cockshutt, Hickey, King, Marks, Ridler, Slade, Stringer, Yaxley and Councillor Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

The meeting was closed to members of the public and the live stream was terminated at 5:09pm.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting for a 5-minute break.

CLOSED TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Closed session commenced at 5:14pm.

17. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (CLOSED MEETING)

Resolution:

YAXLEY/KING

That the minutes of the Council meeting (closed meeting) held on Monday, 30 June 2025 be confirmed.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Alderton, Cockshutt, Hickey, King, Marks, Ridler, Slade, Stringer, Yaxley and Councillor Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

18. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

None.

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19. REQUEST FOR TENDER NO. 993 - LANDFILL COMPACTOR PURCHASE - 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).

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

Resolution:

SLADE/ALDERTON

That the meeting be moved back into open Council.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Alderton, Cockshutt, Hickey, King, Marks, Ridler, Slade, Stringer, Yaxley and Councillor Kendall

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

The Chair closed the meeting at 5:27pm.

Confirmed,

CHAIR