

NOTES FROM THE MAYOR

BOATING SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

On Tuesday 17th August, at the Ordinary Council Meeting, Council approved a motion to set up a Boating Special Committee of Council. The Committee includes the following members:

Ken Clarkson Rob Holloway
John Holloway Norman Hunt
Anne Rae Richard Harley
Kevin Haines Robin Walker

Denis Cooper

Chair - Mayor Annie Revie

Secretary - Councillor Vanessa Grace

Councillor Aaron Burke

Warren Groves - General Manager

Chris Wilson - Infrastructure / Airport Manager

The Committee met for the first time on Wednesday 18th August. Its first priority will be to modify the Whitemark boat ramp so that it becomes more weather-friendly and safer for the boating community. This work is expected to begin later this year.

WHERE DID \$2,300 GO FROM 18 YEARS

At a meeting to explore the setting up of the Boating Special Committee of Council, it was stated that the Boating and Fishing Committee, that was dissolved in 2003, donated approximately \$2,300 to Council. Council staff looked carefully through the accounts and – Lo and Behold – there was the record of the amount deposited. Council was happy that the amount be returned to the new Committee. The \$2,300 will be held in account along with the \$120,000 committed recently by the State Government and the funding will be used for Committee priorities.

STATE BUDGET

On his visit to the Island last week, Minister Michael Ferguson confirmed that the \$120,000 referred to above, will be announced in the State Budget this week. Minister Ferguson also confirmed that the \$2m committed to sealing part of Palana Road will also be included in the State Budget – keep your eyes and ears on State Budget news this week.

THE ISLANDER WAY PROJECT

At Council's Ordinary Meeting approval was given for the project deed to be signed. The project will begin in September with details announced very soon. Some predicted outcomes of the project include:

- That the needs, wants, values of the Community will be identified;
- There will be sub projects identified and prioritised;
- Individuals and/or groups will be coached in order to enact the projects; and
- There will be quarterly reports to Council of achievements, including the budget.

THE PROJECT WILL BRING TOGETHER INTERESTED COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO IDENTIFY

- What Islanders value;
- How these values will guide and manage future visitor experiences on the Island/s;
- How sub projects will help Islanders identify current issues regarding Tourism; and
- How we will work together to enact the selected solutions.

THE COMMUNITY GYMS ARE PROVING POPULAR

The community gyms are doing very well indeed, with membership increasing all the time. At the recent meeting, Council approved the Whitemark Community Gym Special Committee of Council to explore the creation of a larger gym. The exploration will be funded by the Committee. Who knows what the future might bring, but community health and wellbeing will be central to whatever the future holds.

COUNCIL ALSO APPROVED...

Residents on what is locally known as The Cattle Track applied to change it from a reserve road to a section 21 road. This was approved by Council at the August meeting, providing residents with a valid address.

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Volunteer of the Year Award

Nomination forms are now available from the Council Office and on the Council website for people wishing to nominate an individual for the Flinders Council 'Volunteer of the Year Award'. The recipient will be presented with a certificate and a monetary award of \$100 (or donated to the organisation of their choice) at the Flinders Island Show on 15 October 2021.

Please submit your nomination to the Council Office by C.O.B. 1 September 2021.

The following criteria will be used to select the award recipient:

- Only individuals are eligible to he nominated, not organisations.
- Nominees must be over sixteen (16) years of age as of the 1st day of July in the year of the nomination.
- The award will be given to the person who has made the most significant contribution, in quality and quantity, for the benefit of the Furneaux Community, organisations or individuals.
- Recipients can receive only one Islander of the Year Award during their lifetime.

Warren Groves General Manager

Expressions of Interest Veterinarian Facility & Vet 🦠



Flinders Island has recently received State Government funding for the construction of a new veterinary facility.

Flinders Council is seeking Expressions of Interest from suitably qualified architectural designers who are interested in working on the new facility design project.

Concurrently, Flinders Council is releasing an Expression of Interest for the procurement of a veterinarian to service the Furneaux Islands.

Details are at the link below. Please note that both EOIs close on 17 September 2021.

Visit www.flinders.tas.gov.au/ve



There's still time to complete your Census if you haven't already. Your answers help build a better future for you and our community.

Census Officers will be visiting households in the coming weeks to assist you with filling out your form if you haven't already.

For households that haven't yet submitted, we encourage you to go online and complete it today.

Households that haven't received instructions or have misplaced their letter can:

- go to www.census.abs.gov.au, select 'Start the Census' and choose the 'Get a Census Number' option
- order a paper form from the Census website or by calling 1800 512 441.

Flinders Draft LPS **Public Exhibition Closed Development Services**

Under section 35B of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act, 1993 and direction from the Tasmanian Planning Commission, the Flinders Draft Local Provisions Schedule (LPS) undertook a public exhibition period from 2 2021 until 2 August Representations were invited and accepted until the close of business on 2 August 2021.

In this next stage, representations are collated and provided to Council for adoption. Once adopted, the Council's report representations will be provided to the Commission for review. If you made a representation, you will be contacted by the Commission and informed of the hearing's procedure along with an invitation to attend.

For further information please contact **Development Services** via development.services@flinders.tas.gov.au or by calling reception on 6359 5001.



Community Gym Training Sessions

Every Sunday from 2:00pm to 5:00pm Justin Graham is in Whitemark Gym offering the following:

- Gym circuit to participate in
- Advice/correction of form on exercises
- Discussion of goal setting
- Setup clients with programs

Contact Justin on 0407 844 439

Every Thursday Michelle Parker is in the Lady Barron Gym.

Michelle offers 2 sessions on a Thursday. Session 1 – Strength Class is 8am-10am Session 2 - HIIT class (High Intensity Interval Training Class) 5pm-6pm

Contact Michelle on 0448 590 000

Cost: Clients will pay their usual \$10 gym fee for the week, as well as paying a \$10 fee as a trainer is in the gym.

Please remember to sign in the attendance book and pay your weekly fees. Hope to see you at the Gym!

Ordinary Council Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the next Ordinary Meeting of Flinders Council will be held at the Flinders Arts and Entertainment Centre, Whitemark, Flinders Island on:

Tuesday 21 September 2021 commencing at 2pm.

Public Question Time will be held between 2.00 – 2.30pm. Members of the public are invited to attend.

The Agenda will be available for perusal from Thursday 16 September 2021 on the Council Website www.flinders.tas.gov.au and at the Council Office.

Warren Groves General Manager



Position Vacant: Corporate Services Officer - Finance

Flinders Council is seeking to appoint a Corporate Services Officer - Finance in the Corporate Services Department.

An opportunity exists for a part time permanent position of 6 days (45 hours) per fortnight. Salary will be dependent upon qualifications and experience. Terms and conditions for this position will be as per the Flinders Council Enterprise Agreement 2019.

A position description is available from Jade Boyes, Corporate Services HR Officer by phoning 6359 5003 or please visit: www.flinders.tas.gov.au/employment-and-business-opportunities

Written applications addressing the "Knowledge, Skills and Experience" criteria individually, along with a current resume are required by C.O.B Friday the 3rd of September 2021.

Applications are to be marked "Confidential" – Corporate Services Officer - Finance, and should be forwarded to the Corporate Services HR Officer, Flinders Council, PO Box 40, WHITEMARK, TAS 7255 or email directly to jade.boyes@flinders.tas.gov.au

Warren Groves
GENERAL MANAGER

WHITEMARK TIP HOURS

 Monday
 CLOSED

 Thursday
 CLOSED

 Saturday
 CLOSED

 Tuesday
 9:30 - 1:00pm

 Wednesday
 9:30 - 1:00pm

 Friday
 9:30 - 1:00pm

 Sunday
 1:30 - 4:30pm

CLOSED PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

* New hours from September 1st



Position Vacant: Executive Officer

Flinders Council is seeking to appoint a Part-Time Executive Officer.

An opportunity exists for a part time position of 8 days (60 hours) per fortnight for a period of 12 months.

Salary will be dependent upon qualifications and experience. Terms and conditions for this position will be as per the Flinders Council Enterprise Agreement 2019.

A position description is available from Jade Boyes, Corporate Services HR Officer by phoning 6359 5003 or can be found online at:

www.flinders.tas.gov.au/employment-andbusiness-opportunities

Written applications addressing each of the "Knowledge, Skills and Experience" criteria individually, along with a current resume, are required by C.O.B Friday the 3rd of September 2021.

Applications are to be marked "Confidential" – Executive Officer Position, and should be forwarded to Corporate Services HR Officer, Flinders Council, PO Box 40, WHITEMARK, TAS 7255 or email directly to jade.boyes@flinders.tas.gov.au

Warren Groves
GENERAL MANAGER

WHITEMARK TIP - NEW HOURS

From September 1st Whitemark Tip Hours will be reverting to previous opening hours.

- Mon/Fri/Sun 1.30pm 4.30pm
- Tue/Thu 7am -10am
- Wed 8.30am 11.30am
- CLOSED PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

When amendments to the Whitemark Tip new infrastructure is in place, we will be seeking community input regarding the tip hours.

Chris Wilson Works & Services Manager

Policy to be Adopted

Council's Policy Manual is an important document of Council as it provides direction to Staff, Management and Councillors. Many of the policies are required by, or relate to, legislation and in most instances help manage Council's exposure to risk.

Council resolved at the 17 August 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting to approve the Waiver of Fees Policy and the Writing Off Bad Debts Policy, and to rescind the Council Houses - Maintenance Policy.

These policies will lie on the table for public comment until 22 September 2021. They are available to download from the Council Website www.flinders.tas.gov.au/policies and hardcopies are available from the Council Office.

Should you wish to make comment on the policy, please do so by addressing relative correspondence to:

Warren Groves
General Manager



Please note that the discount period (July) has now lapsed and dog registrations are overdue.

To renew your current dog registration simply call Reception on 6359 5001 to pay over the phone or visit Council front office at 4 Davies Street in Whitemark.

As Council have adopted the "tag for life" system, please let Cashier know when you call, or visit, if you are in need of a new tag.

Please note - New registrations must be applied for at the Council Office by completing an 'Application for Registration' form.

Please note that Council are required to issue infringement notices for unregistered dogs.