



## NOTES FROM THE MAYOR

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION TASMANIA (LGAT) SPECIAL MEETING

On 4<sup>th</sup> November Warren Groves and I attended a LGAT Special Meeting. It was attended by most Mayors and General Managers from around the State. The purpose was to discuss as to how the State Government will approach a review of Local Government. When the review was first introduced a few months ago, it was thought that the purpose was to amalgamate councils. However the purpose now is different, being: ***To create a more robust and capable Local Government system.***

### WHAT WILL THE REVIEW INVOLVE?

Minister Roger Jaensch described the review in three phases, over 18 months:

1. The first phase will be about engaging with the community and the broad Local Government sector to find out what people want and expect from Local Government over the next ten years or so.
2. Phase two will analyse the data gathered from phase one.
3. The third phase will refine the options that will arise from phase two.

Phase one will begin in January 2022 by appointing a Review Board that will identify the Terms of Reference for the review.

### A REVIEW SUCH AS THIS COULD HAVE EXCELLENT OUTCOMES IF IT IS DONE WELL

Like any other review the benefits will depend on the people who participate. I urge our community groups and individuals to think about what you want from Councils in the future and to keep your eye on calls for participation in January.

### SOME VERY GOOD NEWS!

Mid October, Tony Griggs, a local pilot, brought to community attention that the Bureau of Meteorology was proposing to reduce the aviation weather forecast for Whitemark aerodrome from 24 hours to 12 hours. Councillor

Vanessa Grace responded quickly and spoke to the Hon. Bridget Archer MP who very quickly put a petition together. Bridget, in collaboration with the Federal Environment Minister, the Hon. Sussan Ley MP. Bridget chaired a meeting with representatives from the Bureau of Meteorology as well as representatives from:

- Royal Flying Doctor
- Flinders Island Aviation
- Council
- Tony Griggs & Linda Nicol.

### TO CUT A LONG STORY SHORT...

Letters were written, Bridget worked with Sussan Ley, Council provided the correct data, and the Bureau reversed their decision.

Stakeholders who service the Island had a win! Thanks to all involved! We return to 24 hours aviation forecast and maintain the higher levels of safety that this brings.

### ANNIE REVIE, MAYOR

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## ROAD WORKS

During November and December, Council will be undertaking major upgrading reconstruction works on the following roads:

Palana Rd – Killiecrankie Rd intersection northwards for 800m

Melrose Rd – Lucks Rd to Wingaroo Rd

Wingaroo Rd – Melrose Rd to Five Mile Jim Rd

During the reconstruction work –

Heavy equipment and vehicles will be operating on the road.

The road may be closed to traffic for short periods of time.

The section of road under reconstruction will be unsuitable for low-clearance vehicles and trucks.

Motorists are requested to follow the traffic management signage and drive with care.

**Chris Wilson | Manager Infrastructure and Airport**

## Whitemark Tip – Opening Hours

- **Monday** 1.30pm - 4.30pm
- **Tuesday** 7am -10am
- **Wednesday** 8.30am - 11.30am
- **Thursday** 7am -10am
- **Friday** 1.30pm - 4.30pm
- **Saturday** CLOSED
- **Sunday** 1.30pm - 4.30pm

## CLOSED PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

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**Ordinary Council Meeting**

Notice is hereby given that the **14 December 2021** Ordinary Meeting of Flinders Council will be held at the **FAEC, Rose Garden, commencing at 2pm.**

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

The agenda will be available for perusal from Thursday 9 December 2021 on the Council Website [www.flinders.tas.gov.au](http://www.flinders.tas.gov.au) and at the Council Office.

Warren Groves  
**General Manager**



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**Position Vacant**  
**Executive Assistant**

Council are seeking an energetic and highly organised person to join our team and fulfill the role of Executive Assistant.

The Executive Assistant provides administrative; secretarial support to the General Manager, Mayor and Councillors within the governance department over 4 days (30 hours) per week.

A position description is available by contacting Jade Boyes, Corporate Services HR Officer by phoning 6359 5001 or found at: [www.flinders.tas.gov.au/employment-and-business-opportunities](http://www.flinders.tas.gov.au/employment-and-business-opportunities).

Written applications addressing the ‘Knowledge Skills & Experience’ individually, along with a current resume are required by **COB 2 December 2021.**

Applications are to be marked “Confidential” – Executive Assistant” and should be forwarded to Flinders Council, PO Box 40, WHITEMARK, TAS 7255 or email directly to [jade.boyes@flinders.tas.gov.au](mailto:jade.boyes@flinders.tas.gov.au).

Warren Groves  
**GENERAL MANAGER**

## RECYCLING AT FLINDERS COUNCIL

### Mobile Muster

Dig out and recycle your old mobile phones. It's good for your home and the environment! You can drop your old phones into the Council front office.

### Used Printer Ink Cartridges

Council has resumed collecting printer ink cartridges for Planet Ark. Please drop off any used cartridges to the Council front office. Do your bit to reduce landfill!