



### MAYOR'S REPORT

It was sad to hear of Queen Elizabeth's death recently. She was the only monarch most of us have known all our lives and her departure seems to leave an emptiness. Whatever your views on the Royal family are, you can't help but respect her selfless duty to the public for seven decades. She came to Australia sixteen times and clearly loved it here. She will be sadly missed.

On a local front, you will all be aware of the current upgrading of the Lady Barron port facilities. There was concern that the improvements would cause some major issues with the freight and livestock movements, but at a recent meeting with the Furneaux Group Shipping Special Committee, we received assurances that arrangements are in place to ensure that there is as little disruption as possible. The concreting of the roll-on/roll-off ramp is to be completed in sections that will allow animals and freight to be loaded and unloaded.

**David Williams | Mayor**



### UPCOMING ELECTION

Changes to the legislation earlier this year mean that voting in local government elections is now compulsory.

Important dates to note for the 2022 election:

Event	Date
Candidate nominations open	5th September 2022
<b>Candidate nominations close</b>	<b>19th September 2022</b>
Polling period (at least)	3rd - 25th October 2022**
Closing day	25th October 2022

**\*\*This may be extended by the TEC.**

### Furneaux Islands Weed Management Strategy

A draft Furneaux Islands Weeds Management Strategy has been developed as part of a three-year Furneaux Weed Action Program that Council was successful in attracting from the State Government's Weed Action Fund.

The Draft document is available on the Council website. We welcome community feedback on recommended weed priorities and actions.

This is your chance to have input into the strategy which will guide future weed management on the Furneaux Islands for the next 15 years.

The remainder of this three-year program will be dedicated to targeted weed management for the priority weeds that will be highlighted in the new strategy.

Eve Lazarus from Enviro-dynamics will facilitate the Furneaux Weed Action Group, (FWAG) to keep people up to date and connected to activities that are taking place and opportunities for collaboration and funding.

Please contact Eve if you have feedback or questions on the strategy or would like to be involved in the FWAG group.

Eve Lazarus Mobile: 0429 170 048

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## Drought Resilience Leaders Development Program

This initiative is funded under the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund to support regional and rural communities across Australia to prepare for impacts of future droughts and climate change.

Tasmanian Leaders are proud to partner with the Australian Rural Leadership Foundation to deliver the program for people living on the Tasmanian east coast and Flinders Island.

It is suitable for anyone above the age of 18, who is interested in building long-term drought and climate resilience, developing their own leadership skills, and becoming better communicators.

**Expressions of interest close Sunday 25 September**

**Want to know more or begin an application?**

Contact Sally Murfet phone: 0409 196 861

E-mail: [sally@inspire-ag.com.au](mailto:sally@inspire-ag.com.au)

Web:

[tasmanianleaders.org.au/programs/drlid](https://tasmanianleaders.org.au/programs/drlid)

Development Applications



Development applications are advertised on the Flinders Council website every Wednesday and are available for viewing via the link below.

<https://www.flinders.tas.gov.au/current-advertising>



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## Council Meeting at Emita Hall

Council will be holding a community-based council meeting at the Emita Hall on Tuesday 20 September 2022.

Councillors and senior council staff invite local community members to join them for a light lunch in the Hall from 12:45pm – 1.45pm.

This will be followed by the council meeting at 2pm.

Council is looking forward to engaging with the community through this endeavour and developing greater mutual understanding and respect.

**RSVPs for lunch would be appreciated by 16 September to**

[governance@flinders.tas.gov.au](mailto:governance@flinders.tas.gov.au)



### ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the next Ordinary Meeting of Flinders Council will be held at the Furneaux (Emita) Hall:

**Tuesday 20 September 2022 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 15 September 2022 on the Council Website [www.flinders.tas.gov.au](http://www.flinders.tas.gov.au) and at the Council Office.

Warren Groves  
**General Manager**



## 2022-23 Tasmanian Government Discounts and Concessions Guide

The Tasmanian Government Discounts and Concessions guide is updated each year to support Tasmanians with the cost of living and to enable involvement in community life for all Tasmanians. This year, there are over 90 concessions available.

The Tasmanian Government Discounts and Concessions Guide is free and available throughout the state to help Tasmanians identify their entitlements. It includes information about Tasmanian Government programs, discounts, concessions, and savings available on a wide range of services, such as local government rates, electricity, housing, health services, vehicle registration, driver licences, and public transport.

Visit [www.concessions.tas.gov.au](http://www.concessions.tas.gov.au) where the most recent updates to discounts and concessions may be found.

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### Whitemark Tip – Opening Hours

- **Monday** 1.30pm - 4.30pm
- **Tuesday** 7am -10am
- **Friday** 1.30pm - 4. 30pm
- **Wednesday** 8.30am - 11.30am
- **Thursday** 7am -10am
- **Saturday** CLOSED
- **Sunday** 1.30pm - 4.30pm

**CLOSED PUBLIC HOLIDAY**



### 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 16 August 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting to adopt the **Travel and Accommodation Policy**.

The policy will lie on the table for public comment until 29 September 2022. It is available to download from the Council Website [www.flinders.tas.gov.au/policies](http://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



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