



Confirmed Minutes
Ordinary Council Meeting
20 March 2024





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FLINDERS COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING – AGENDA



1 Attendance

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| Venue | Flinders Arts and Entertainment Centre | |
| Commencing | 1.00 pm | |
| Attendees – Councillors | Mayor Rachel Summers Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace Garry Blenkhorn Aaron Burke Carol Cox Peter Rhodes Ken Stockton | Yes Yes Yes Yes Apology Yes Yes |
| Attendees-Staff | Warren Groves General Manager Jacci Smith Acting General Manager and Development Services Coordinator Richard Harley Acting Infrastructure Manager Sabrina Carter Waste Supervisor Sue Mythen Executive Officer (Minute Taker) | Apology 1.00pm – 2.01pm 1.00pm – 2.01pm 1.09pm – 1.25pm 1.00pm – 2.01pm |

2 Acknowledgement of Country

The Mayor began by acknowledging the Traditional Owners of the land on which we met today, the palawa people of the trawulwai Nation. She recognised their continuing connection to the land, waters and culture of this island, and paid respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

3.1 Minutes of the Ordinary and Closed Council Meeting 21 February 2024

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes from the Ordinary and Closed Council Meetings held on 21 February 2024 be confirmed.

DECISION

44.03.2024 Moved: Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace Seconded: Cr Garry Blenkhorn
That the Minutes from the Ordinary and Closed Council Meetings held on 21 February 2024 be confirmed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.

4 Public Question Time

Nil

5 Response to Public Questions

Meeting Date: 21 February 2024

Question 1: Maxine Roughley

Why did Council write to CBM stating that there had been an objection to 14 Munro Place and request an extension of time, this was signed and agreed to them when asked. If we could have an idea of objections for 12 and 14 Munro we were then advised after signing the extensions for both properties that the objection was only on 12 Munro. If this is the case then where is the DA for 14 Munro as I believe the timeframe is up.

Mayor's Response

At the 21 February 2024 Council Meeting you asked the following question which I took on notice. I am now able to provide the following response.

CBM Sustainability Group Pty Ltd (as the applicant for Development Applications affecting both 12 and 14 Munro Place) were contacted on 21 December 2023 to seek an extension of time. This is practice in situations where the 42-day timeframe is unlikely to be achieved; in this case it was Christmas.

The extension is usually requested until the next available Council meeting so that if representations are received there is not a further request to extend the timeframe until the Council meeting date. If no representations are received, we aim to complete the assessment as soon as possible. In the case of 12 Munro Place there was a representation and therefore a Council Meeting was required to enable the Planning Authority to make its determination. The application for 14 Munro Place did not receive a representation but due to heavy workloads, the assessment was unable to be completed prior to the agreed date.

Council is committed to meeting its obligations under the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* and is continually taking measures to streamline applications, as far as possible, for applicants. Your comments have been taken into account and we regret any delays this may have caused you.

I understand that there were not any delays incurred as the works for both properties were to start simultaneously.

Question 2: John Clark

Written question to be provided.

Discussed themes of:

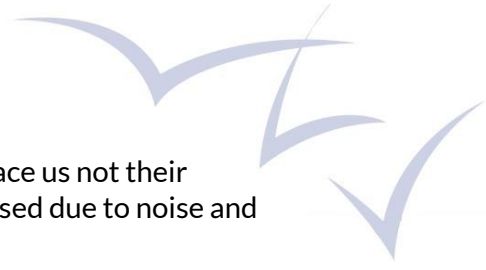
- State Housing Initiative,
- Blocking of \$5,000,000 housing initiative,
- Rental rates for unemployed; the cheapest anywhere in Australia, and
- Why would there be so many objections when it is benefiting the community.

Mayor's Response

A response has not been provided as the question has not been received in writing.

Question 03: Judy and Dave Palmer

Regarding the house being built on 12 Munro Place, Whitemark. We have put in an application to Council to hear at the Council meeting today. We spoke about the effects that the proposed property to be built would have on our personal privacy of our property at 10 Munro Place, Whitemark.



We have asked that the property be turned around so the bedrooms face us not their entertainment area. This is a great concern to us if it remains as proposed due to noise and privacy.

There is already an existing crossover to accommodate the change.

Mayor's Response: This is not a matter for Council. Council can only approve or refuse matters according to the planning application received.

RECOMMENDATION

That the responses to the public question from the 21 February 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting be noted.

DECISION

45.03.2024 Moved: Cr Garry Blenkhorn Seconded: Cr Ken Stockton
That the responses to the public question from the 21 February 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting be noted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.

6 Councillors' Questions on Notice
Nil

7 Councillors' Questions Without Notice
Nil

8 Late Agenda Items
Nil

9 Declarations of Pecuniary Interest
Nil

10 Conflicts of Interest
Nil



11 Workshops & Information Forums

Action For Information
File Reference COU/0205 Workshops & Information Forums

Council Workshop – 21 February 2024

Council held a workshop on the following subjects:

- Item 2.1 TasWater Waste Water Report
- Item 2.2 Cape Barren Island Land Options
- Item 2.3 State Election Key Advocacy Priorities
- Item 2.4 Acting Infrastructure Manager Update
- Item 2.5 General Manager Update
- Item 2.6 rPPP Funding Proposal and Festival Report

| Councillors | In Attendance |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Mayor Rachel Summers | Yes |
| Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace | Yes |
| Councillor Garry Blenkhorn | Yes |
| Councillor Aaron Burke | Arrived 09.40am |
| Councillor Carol Cox | Arrived 09.40am |
| Councillor Peter Rhodes | Yes |
| Councillor Ken Stockton | Yes |

| Staff and Consultants | In Attendance |
|---|-----------------|
| Warren Groves General Manager | Items 2.1 – 2.6 |
| Richard Harley Acting Infrastructure Manager | Items 2.1 – 2.6 |
| Jacci Smith Development Services Coordinator | Items 2.1 - 2.2 |
| Sammi Gowthorp Community Services Coordinator | Items 2.3 & 2.6 |
| Sue Mythen Executive Officer (Note Taker) | Items 2.1 – 2.6 |

Council Workshop – 06 March 2024

Council held a workshop on the following subjects:

- Item 2.1 Airport Development EOI
- Item 2.2 Community Grants and Gun Bequest Advertising
- Item 2.3 Acting Infrastructure Manager Update
- Item 2.4 Organisation Chart
- Item 2.5 General Manager Update
- Item 2.6 Lunch
- Item 2.7 TasRex – Integrated Renewable Energy Company
- Item 2.8 State Grant Hearing
- Item 2.9 FIAAI Precinct Steering Committee Grant Presentation

| Councillors | In Attendance |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| Mayor Rachel Summers | Yes |
| Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace | Yes |
| Councillor Garry Blenkhorn | Yes |
| Councillor Aaron Burke | Yes |

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| Councillor Carol Cox | Apology |
| Councillor Peter Rhodes | Yes (excluding 2.7) |
| Councillor Ken Stockton | Yes (excluding 2.7) |

| Staff and Consultants | In Attendance |
|---|-------------------------------|
| Warren Groves General Manager | Yes (Items 2.1 - 2.9) |
| Richard Harley Acting Infrastructure Manager | Yes (Items 2.1 - 2.9) |
| Jacci Smith Development Services Coordinator | Yes (Items 2.1, 2.4 & 2.7) |
| Sammi Gowthorp Community Services Coordinator | Yes (Item 2.2, 2.7 & 2.9) |
| Kyra Newman Executive Assistant (Note Taker) | Yes (Items 2.1 - 2.9) |
| Chris , Kathy Schafer, Greg Preece | State Grant Hearings Office |
| Bess Clark Chief Executive Officer | TasRex |
| Peter Gutwein Advisor to TasRex | TasRex, |
| John Clark Committee Representative | FIAAI rPPP Steering Committee |

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Council Workshops held on 21 February and 6 March 2024 be noted.

DECISION

46.03.2024 Moved: Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace Seconded: Cr Ken Stockton
That the Council Workshops held on 21 February and 6 March 2024 be noted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.



12 Publications and Reports Tabled for Information

Nil

13 Reports To Be Received

13.1 Furneaux Group Shipping Special Committee

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|-----------------------|--|
| Action | For Noting |
| Officer | Warren Groves - General Manager |
| File Reference | COM/0403 Furneaux Group Shipping SC |
| Annexures | 1. 2024.02.12 - Furneaux Group Shipping Special Committee- Unconfirmed Minutes-att [13.1.1 - 7 pages] |

Officer's Report

The Unconfirmed Minutes of the Furneaux Group Shipping Special Committee held on 12 February 2024 have been provided for consideration. The minutes outline what the Committee has been working on to date and can now be noted by Council.

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Furneaux Group Shipping Special Committee held on 12 February 2024 be noted.

DECISION

47.03.2024 Moved: Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace Seconded: Cr Ken Stockton
That the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Furneaux Group Shipping Special Committee held on 12 February 2024 be noted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.

The Waste Supervisor joined the meeting at 1.09pm



14 Councillors' Reports

Nil

15 Mayor's Report

15.1 Mayor's Report For February - March 2024

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Action | For Information |
| Councillor | Cr Rachel Summers |
| File Reference | COU/0600 Mayor's Report |
| Annexures | Nil |

Appointments

| Date | Description |
|------|-------------|
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Correspondence In

| Date | From | Subject |
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Correspondence Out

| Date | To | Subject |
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Voting Requirement

Simple Majority.

RECOMMENDATION

That Councillors note the Mayor's report for March 2024 will be provided at the April 17 Council Meeting.

DECISION

48.03.2024 Moved: Cr Garry Blenkhorn Seconded: Cr Ken Stockton

That Councillors note the Mayor's report for March 2024 will be provided at the April 17 Council Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.



16 Development Services

16.1 Development Application Report for February 2024

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| Action | For Information |
| Officer | Rowena Gill - Development Services Officer |
| File Reference | PLN/0105 Development |
| Annexures | 1. Development Applications Report February 2024 [16.1.1 - 2 pages] |

Introduction

This report provides Councillors with an overview of the applications for the current period as per motion 249.09.2015, passed at the 24 September 2015 Council Meeting when Council requested monthly data from the West Tamar Council planning consultancy service. As of July 2020, Flinders Council now generates the data and prepares the Development Application Report monthly.

Permitted applications are assessed under section 58 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* (the Act) and are not advertised. If applications classified as Permitted meet all development and use standards, they must be granted a permit, with or without conditions.

Discretionary applications are assessed under section 57 of the Act and are exhibited for a two-week period during which submissions may be received from the public. If a submission is received, the planner's report for that application is considered by Council. Discretionary applications where no submissions are received, as well as applications with a Permitted pathway, are approved under delegation to the General Manager.

The numbering of applications relates to the electronic filing system. Numbers are allocated to Planning (DA), Building (BA) and Plumbing (PA) applications as they are received. This may mean that planning numbers are not sequential, if for example, a development requires a building application but is exempt from a planning application.

Previous Council Consideration

Some items may have been considered at meetings of Council while the remainder have been approved under delegation by the General Manager.

Officer's Report

Refer to Annexure 1, Development Applications Report – February 2024.

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Development Application Report – February 2024 be received.

DECISION

49.03.2024 Moved: Cr Ken Stockon Seconded: Cr Peter Rhodes

That the Development Application Report – February 2024 be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.



17 Infrastructure

17.1 Infrastructure Update February 2024

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| Action | For Information |
| Officer | Richard Harley - Acting Infrastructure Manager |
| File Reference | WOR/3000 Infrastructure |
| Annexures | 1. Works Manager Report Template [17.1.1 - 5 pages] |

Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide Councillors with an update of monthly activities undertaken by the Infrastructure department.

Officers Report

This report is provided on a monthly basis at the request of Council.

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Acting Infrastructure Manager's Report – February 2024 be received and accepted by Council.

DECISION

50.03.2024 Moved: Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace Seconded: Cr Peter Rhodes
That the Acting Infrastructure Manager's Report – February 2024 be received and accepted by Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.

The Waste Supervisor left the meeting at 1.25pm



18 Governance

18.1 Anzac Day Dawn Service

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| Action | For Decision |
| Officer | Warren Groves - General Manager |
| File Reference | CDV/0301 |
| Annexures | Nil |

Introduction

Cape Barren Island is the second largest island within the Flinders Municipality, both in area and in population. Traditionally, on ANZAC Day, 25 April each year, a Dawn Service is held on the Island to remember those who fought and who gave their lives in service of the Nation in both world wars. Several Cape Barren Islanders were among the numbers who fought in these wars. The service is a poignant reminder that Aboriginal people went to war in Australia's name. The service is organised by the Flinders Branch of the RSL and the breakfast is prepared by Cape Barren Islanders.

Cape Barren Islanders are isolated from the main community on Flinders Island. It is vital that Flinders Council is not only perceived to, but seen to, value its relationship with Cape Barren Islanders.

Previous Council Consideration

Nil

Previous Council Discussion

Nil

Officer's Report

Anzac Day is a significant national occasion which marks the anniversary of the first key military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War. Councillor visitation to Cape Barren Island is an important aspect of their representation of the Island and especially so on this day.

In previous years, Council has supported the Cape Barren Island ANZAC Day event by covering the cost of one return charter flight for one councillor and community members, as well as breakfast provisions for the Cape Barren Island community

Statutory Requirement

Local Government Act 1993

Strategic Alignment

LIVEABILITY

1.2 A harmonious and healthy community actively engaged in employment, recreation, volunteering, arts and culture

1.2.2 Maintain and develop partnerships with Arts and Cultural organisations and support activities, projects and events that provide opportunities for community involvement and creative expression.

GOOD GOVERNANCE

4.1 An organisation that provides good governance, effective leadership and high-quality services, within our means

4.1.2 Improve communication channels between Council and Community to foster greater community participation and outcomes.



Budget and Financial Implications

There is sufficient funding available in Council's budget to support this expenditure.

Risk/Liability

Nil

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council approves an allocation of \$1,000 to support the following:
 - One return charter flight to allow attendance by one councillor and community members to the Cape Barren Island Dawn Service on Anzac Day, 25 April 2024; and
 - Breakfast provisions for Cape Barren Islanders and community visitors attending the service.

2. That Council discusses and selects a councillor to attend the Cape Barren Island Dawn Service on Anzac Day, 25 April 2024.

51.03.2024 Moved: Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace Seconded: Cr Ken Stockton
That Council suspends the operation of Regulation 22 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, in accordance with Regulation 22 (9).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.

DECISION

52.03.2024 Moved: Cr Garry Blenkhorn Seconded: Cr Ken Stockton

1. That Council approves an allocation of \$1,000 to support the following:
 - One return charter flight to allow attendance by one councillor and community members to the Cape Barren Island Dawn Service on Anzac Day, 25 April 2024; and
 - Breakfast provisions for Cape Barren Islanders and community visitors attending the service.

2. Council discussed and selected Councillor Cox, and in her absence Mayor Summers, to attend the Cape Barren Island Dawn Service on Anzac Day, 25 April 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.



18.2 Community Grants 2024/2025

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| Action | For Decision |
| Officer | Warren Groves - General Manager |
| File Reference | FIN/0905 |
| Annexures | Nil |

Introduction

Volunteers are a vital component of the social fabric of the Furneaux Community. Regrettably, their ability to raise adequate funding from within our small community and to cover the additional capital costs required for their activities is limited. In previous years, Council has provided financial assistance in the form of Community Grants for local projects, assisting community groups in remaining viable and continuing to provide services and activities to the broader community.

Community grants enable local groups to implement projects and services that cover a range of needs. This support helps maintain the island's unique character and biodiversity.

Community grants strengthen community ties by encouraging collective participation in local projects, enhancing the sense of belonging among residents. They allow for targeted initiatives that address the Island's specific needs, leading to more effective and relevant outcomes.

Community grants on Flinders Island play a key role in sustaining the community's vitality, ensuring it remains a vibrant and sustainable place to live, work, and visit.

This round of funding applications for the 2024-25 financial year is due to open in April 2024 and will be advertised until the end of May 2024.

Previous Council Consideration

Community Grants are decided annually by Council.


Previous Council Discussion

| | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| 14 June 2023 | Council Workshop |
| 12 April 2023 | Council Workshop |
| 06 September 2022 | Council Workshop |
| 14 June 2022 | Council Workshop |
| 17 May 2022 | Council Workshop |

Officer's Report

Council's Community Grant and Gunn Bequest programs are advertised in the lead-up to the new financial year and considered by the Council in May, prior to finalisation of the budget.

Council Officers rebranded the Community Grant Program and Gunn Bequest in 2022 and streamlined the submission process by creating an online application. The program followed the same format in 2023 and was advertised via the Island News, posters, social media, and on the Council's website, inviting community organisations and individuals to submit funding applications. Promoting the program was successful, with seven applications received for the Community Grants program and two for the Gunn Bequest program.



With the success of the rebranding and participation in the Community Grants across the 2022-23 and 2023-24 programs, the Council proposes to allocate \$10,000 in the 2024/2025 financial year for the Community Grants Program and \$2,000 for the Gunn Bequest.

The Community Grants program will be made available to not-for-profit community organisations, community groups, and individuals to:

- Empower the community to identify and respond to issues;
- Support the needs and aspirations of all our communities within the Furneaux Islands;
- Increase community connections and belonging by increasing participation and building community capacity.

Community Grants Guidelines:

- Applications that align with Council's strategic focus areas will be favourably received.
- The application must have a clearly stated purpose and a practical plan for achieving the project.
- The project may complement, but not duplicate, other locally available services.
- Projects should be accessible to individuals living within the Flinders Municipality.
- Where funds are sought for the purchase of equipment, quotes should be included.
- Any risks associated with the project have been considered and documented.
- Flinders Council can determine the total amount allocated to each project.
- Partial funding may be offered for the project if the applicant has advised they are happy to receive a partial amount.
- It is expected that some effort will have been made towards fundraising activities or a financial contribution to offset the costs of the proposal.

Gunn Bequest Guidelines:

Applications will be assessed against the following criteria:

- All applications whether by individuals, groups or clubs are to be lodged through a club or sporting body;
- Applications must be for suitable projects promoting or facilitating sporting activities within the Municipality;
- Such sporting activities are to have a national and state association and be recognised at the national level as a sporting association or activity that does not include commercial enterprises.

Noting: Financial assistance for the Community Grants Program and Gunn Bequest, will not be provided for:

- Money already spent;
- Salaries or recurrent operational costs;
- Fundraising for future projects.

Statutory Requirement

Local Government Act 1993



Strategic Alignment

LIVEABILITY

1.2 A harmonious and healthy community actively engaged in employment, recreation, volunteering, arts and culture

1.2.1 Provide recreational facilities and assist community groups to encourage an active and healthy lifestyle.

Budget and Financial Implications

Minimal

Risk/Liability

Nil

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council agrees to move forward with the Community Grants and Gunn Bequest programs and Council allocates \$10,000 in the 2024/2025 financial year for the Community Grants Program and \$2,000 for the Gunn Bequest program.

DECISION

53.03.2024 Moved: Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace Seconded: Cr Peter Rhodes
That Council agrees to move forward with the Community Grants and Gunn Bequest programs and Council allocates \$10,000 in the 2024/2025 financial year for the Community Grants Program and \$2,000 for the Gunn Bequest program.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.



18.3 Partnerships and Precincts Grant Funding

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|-----------------------|---|
| Action | For Decision |
| Officer | Sammi Gowthorp - Community Services Coordinator |
| File Reference | CDV/0201 Community Grants |
| Annexures | Nil |

Introduction

The Australian Government has launched the expansive \$400 million Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program (rPPP), inviting applications to initiate transformative projects across regional, rural, and remote parts of the country.

The Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program is a federal initiative that offers to support the planning stages of precinct development in regional areas. Running over three years from 2023-24 to 2025-26, the program is committed to fostering partnerships that cultivate precincts reflective of local needs and aspirations, promoting investment-readiness.

The program encourages a partnership approach, bringing together stakeholders to establish a shared vision and collectively contribute to the region's development.

Previous Council Consideration

326.11.2023 Council Meeting

Previous Council Discussion

21 February 2024 Council Workshop
22 November 2023 Council Workshop
08 November 2023 Council Workshop
13 December 2023 Council Workshop


Officer's Report

Stream One of the Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program (rPPP) program presents an opportunity to activate partnerships and jointly develop precinct plans, thereby identifying opportunities to explore projects that would benefit the Furneaux Islands Community.

Regional precincts, defined as 'places with a purpose', are geographically specific areas designed to address a shared theme or need within a community. These can include business districts, neighbourhoods, commercial hubs, or community and recreational spaces. The program aims to facilitate the creation of precincts in renewal and growth areas, enhancing the socio-economic fabric of regional centres and townships.

At the 22 November 2023 Ordinary Council Meeting, Councillors carried decision 326.11.2023. *The Council recognises the opportunity that the Regional Partnerships and Precincts Program – Stream One grant offers and requests that staff develop discussion points/project options to be included in the development of an investment plan for submission, to be discussed at the next Council workshop.*

On 12 February 2024, Council received a letter from the Lady Barron Precinct Planning Project Steering Committee (LBPPP) advising that the group proposed to submit an application for the rPPP funding, with the Flinders Island Aboriginal Association Inc. as the applicant. The group invited a Council representative to join the committee. Councillors discussed the invitation at the 21 February Council Workshop and nominated the General Manager as their representative.



As a result of the LBPPP Committee and the Flinders Island Aboriginal Association Inc. moving forward with submitting a grant application, it is considered appropriate for Council not to proceed with submitting a separate application.

Statutory Requirement

There are no Statutory Requirements.

Strategic Alignment

LIVEABILITY

1.1 A viable population that enables the necessary services and activities required for the Community to prosper

1.2 A harmonious and healthy community actively engaged in employment, recreation, volunteering, arts and culture

ACCESSIBILITY/INFRASTRUCTURE

2.1 Quality public infrastructure, roads and footpaths

2.3 Council assets/land maintained and utilised effectively

ECONOMY/BUSINESS

3.1 Ongoing opportunities across all business sectors to future-proof the critical needs of the islands.

GOOD GOVERNANCE

4.1 An organisation that provides good governance, effective leadership and high-quality services, within our means

3.1.3 Advocate federal and state governments for improved availability of critical services and industries on the islands to benefit the Community and economy

GOOD GOVERNANCE

4.1 An organisation that provides good governance, effective leadership and high-quality services, within our means

Budget and Financial Implications

Nil

Risk/Liability

Nil

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council rescinds motion 326.11.2023 from the 22 November 2023 Ordinary Council meeting and withdraws from the Regional Partnerships and Precincts Program – Stream One grant application process.

DECISION

54.03.2024 Moved: Cr Peter Rhodes Seconded: Cr Garry Blenkhorn

That Council rescinds motion 326.11.2023 from the 22 November 2023 Ordinary Council meeting and withdraws from the Regional Partnerships and Precincts Program – Stream One grant application process.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.



18.4 Housing Working Group - March 2024

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| Action | For Information |
| Officer | Warren Groves - General Manager |
| File Reference | GOV/1102 Housing Working Group |
| Annexures | Nil |

Introduction

At the 25 January 2023 council meeting, Council resolved to form a Housing Working Group with the membership being Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Peter Rhodes, Cr Ken Stockton, the General Manager and the Development Services Coordinator. At this meeting, Council also requested a monthly report from the working group. At the 24 January 2024 council meeting, Council resolved the Housing Working Group reports every second month moving forward.

Previous Council Consideration

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| 18.01.2024 | 24 January 2024 |
| 18.01.2023 | 25 January 2023 |
| 32.02.2023 | 22 February 2023 |
| 91.03.2023 | 22 March 2023 |

A report will be presented every second month from January 2024.

Previous Council Discussion

25 January 2023 Council Workshop

Officer's Report

There have been no meetings of the Housing Working Group during January or February 2024. The following matters are provided as an update:

- Election promises include Housing options for Flinders
- Staff are working directly with the Federal Government, namely the Assistant Director for Tasmanian and Shipping Programs, Maritime and Shipping Branch, Surface Transport and Emissions Policy Division section, relating to the Freight Equalisation Scheme; seeking future meeting timeframes.

Statutory Requirement

Nil

Strategic Alignment

LIVEABILITY

1.1 A viable population that enables the necessary services and activities required for the Community to prosper

1.1.1 Encourage and support an increased supply of affordable accommodation for long-term residential rental and purchase.

Budget and Financial Implications

Nil

Risk/Liability

Nil

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council notes the Officer's Report for the Housing Working Group for March 2024.



DECISION

55.03.2024 Moved: Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace Seconded: Cr Ken Stockton
That Council notes the Officer's Report for the Housing Working Group for March 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.



18.5 Resolution Report - March 2024

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| Action | For Information |
| Officer | Warren Groves - General Manager |
| File Reference | GOV/0300 Councillor Resolution Reports |
| Annexures | 1. 2024-03 Resolution Report [18.5.1 - 4 pages] |

Introduction

The Councillor Resolution Report identifies resolutions passed by elected members and the actions taken to implement the decisions.

Officer's Report

This Report is presented on a monthly basis. Please read Annexure 1 Resolution Report – March 2024.

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Councillor Resolution Report – March 2024 be noted.

DECISION

56.03.2024 Moved: Cr Aaron Burke Seconded: Cr Peter Rhodes
That the Councillor Resolution Report – March 2024 be noted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.



19 CLOSED COUNCIL 20 March 2024

19.1 GW Wolff Anchor Maintenance

Reason for Closed Council – item is CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with Section 15(2)

(c) commercial information of a confidential nature that, if disclosed, is likely to – (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it;

(d) contracts, and tenders, for the supply of goods and services and their terms, conditions, approval and renewal

Closure of Meeting

Action For Decision
Officer Warren Groves - General Manager

Closure of Meeting

In accordance with Section 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, a council by absolute majority may close a part of the meeting to the public for a specified reason

Voting Requirement

Absolute Majority

RECOMMENDATION

That the meeting be closed to the public pursuant to regulation Section 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 to discuss the matter listed.

DECISION

57.03.2024 Moved: Cr Peter Rhodes Seconded: Cr Garry Blenkhorn
That the meeting be closed to the public pursuant to regulation Section 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 to discuss the matter listed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.

Council moved into Closed Council at 1.53pm.

Council moved out of Closed Council at 2.01pm.


The following motions for the Open Minutes was passed in Closed Council:

DECISION:

59.03.2024 Moved: Cr Peter Rhodes Seconded: Cr Ken Stockton
That for agenda item 19.1 the agenda item and discussions held in Closed Council remain confidential and that Council agreed to release the decision to the public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.



58.03.2024 Moved: Cr Peter Rhodes Seconded: Cr Aaron Burke
That Council approves the funding of \$2,500 for maintenance works to be undertaken on the G.W. Wolff anchor prior to winter 2024 and requests Council staff investigate grant funding options moving forward.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

For: Mayor Rachel Summers, Deputy Mayor Vanessa Grace, Cr Garry Blenkhorn, Cr Aaron Burke, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr Peter Rhodes.

At 2.01pm, Mayor Rachel Summers declared that the meeting was closed.

20 MEETING CLOSED 2.01PM
