

NOTES FROM THE MAYOR

JUST TO CLARIFY REGARDING STRATEGIC PLANS

Each Tasmanian Council must have a Strategic Plan. This is the long term (ten-year) plan that identifies what a Council and its community want to achieve in a ten-year period. Council must also have an Annual Plan – the Annual Plan is based on the Strategic Plan and identifies which aspects of the Strategic Plan Council will be working on in any given year.

THE 2020/21 YEAR IS THE FINAL YEAR OF THE 2015 STRATEGIC PLAN

The last Strategic Plan was written in 2015 and this is its last year. This 2020/21-year Annual Plan is based on the 2015 Strategic Plan.

THE STRATEGIC PLAN CURRENTLY BEING WRITTEN IS THE 2030 PLAN

The 2030 Strategic Plan, that we are currently writing, will be completed and approved by the end of 2020 – therefore the Annual Plan for 2021/22 and all others until 2030 will be based on that one.

I HOPE I HAVE MADE THIS CLEAR AND NOT ADDED TO CONFUSION!

SINCERE THANKS TO THOSE COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO COUNCIL'S 2030 STRATEGIC PLANNING FRAMEWORK SURVEY

Friday 24th July was the closing date for community responses to the Council ten-year Strategic Plan Framework Survey. I want to thank all community members who have taken the time to respond.

COUNCILLORS ARE PLANNING TO HAVE A STALL AT THE LIONS MARKET TO ENABLE PEOPLE TO TALK TO THEM

We are happy with the response rate for the survey but believe a few more people might like to contribute. Some folks hate filling in surveys – some find it painful to answer all the questions. So, we are planning a stall at the Lions Market on Saturday. Community members will be able to:

- Chat with councillors about any relevant issues;
- Talk about individual things they want for the Island;
- Write on a broadsheet anonymously if there is something you want in the Plan; and

- Answer a few specific questions about the waste issue just by writing on a broadsheet.

IF YOU CHOOSE NOT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE STRATEGY PLANNING IN SOME WAY – that is indeed your choice! However, we can only act on what we know. If you do not bring your thoughts to our attention please do not blame Council when you do not see the action you want to see!

SPEAKING OF CONSULTANTS

The only time we should be using a consultant is when there is not enough expertise available to us in the Municipality. Right now, we think we need outside advice on roads.

ARE YOU AWARE THAT COUNCIL HAS AN AUDIT PANEL?

In case you are not aware of this, Council has an Audit Panel that meets four times a year. The Audit Panel members are:

- Mark Scanlon, Chair (also Chair of the Launceston Council Audit Panel);
- Diana Droog; and
- Gerald Willis.

The Audit Panel examines the Council accounts and brings any issues to our attention. Each Audit Panel meeting is attended by Heidi Marshall, our Finance Organisational Performance Manager, as well as Warren Groves, Council's General Manager. I often attend just to keep myself as up to date with the financial issues as possible.

WE ARE SERIOUSLY INTO WASTE AT PRESENT! This week, a group of councillors is meeting to agree on the details of community engagement on this important topic. In the very near future, you can expect to hear what we think the community engagement on 'waste' will look like. Watch this space.

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DOG REGISTRATIONS

Dog owners are reminded that the discount period for dog registration ends on Friday 31 July. As of Monday 3 August, the standard rate will be payable. Infringement notices may be issued for non-registration in early August.

FURNEAUX GROUP SHIPPING SPECIAL COMMITTEES SUBMISSIONS

The Furneaux Group Shipping Special Committee consists of business and community representatives and exists to consider and make recommendations to Council concerning issues related to Shipping. Members of the public are invited to make submissions for consideration by the Committee. Submissions may be sent to Council by 16 August 2020.

WHITEMARK TIP OPENING HOURS

SUN, MON, FRI 1.30pm - 4.30pm

TUES +THURS 7.00am -10.00am

WEDNESDAYS 8.30am - 11.30am

CLOSED PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Flinders Council 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 16 October 2020.

Please submit your nomination to the Council Office by C.O.B. **1 September 2020.**

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

- Only individuals are eligible to be 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 voluntary contribution, in quality and quantity, for the benefit of the Furneaux Community, organisations or individuals.
- Recipients can receive only one Volunteer of the Year Award during their lifetime.

Warren Groves
General Manager

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 25 August 2020 at 9.30am.

Public Question Time will be held between 9.30 – 10.00am.

The Agenda will be available for perusal from Thursday 20 August 2020 on the Council Website www.flinders.tas.gov.au.

Warren Groves | **GENERAL MANAGER**



Position Vacant: Development Services Administration Officer

Flinders Council is seeking a suitable candidate to fill the role of Development Services Administration Officer.

The position is 4 days (30 hours) per week and requires the successful applicant to manage administration of the Development Services Department of Council.

The successful applicant will have excellent administration experience as well as the ability to work with legislation and strict timeframes. The role deals directly with the community including developers and trades people and demands a high level of customer service.

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 Officer by phoning 6359 5001 or found at: 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 COB **12th August 2020**.

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

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GENERAL MANAGER



Position Vacant: Information Technology (IT) Officer

Flinders Council is seeking to fill a position as part-time IT Officer for a period of 12 months.

The position is 2 days (15 hours) per week, for an initial 12 month contract, and would be required to manage all aspects of Council's IT needs including telephones, hardware, internet use and security.

The successful applicant will have a demonstrated understanding of current IT systems, as well as the ability to research and advise on the most suitable needs for the organisation going forward.

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