



Agenda
Ordinary Council Meeting
18th September 2014



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Dated this 12th day of September 2014.



Raoul Harper
GENERAL MANAGER

FLINDERS COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING

AGENDA

DATE: Thursday 18th September 2014
VENUE: Flinders Art and Entertainment Centre, Whitemark
COMMENCING: 1.00 pm

PRESENT

Mayor Carol Cox
Deputy Mayor David Williams
Cr Marc Cobham
Cr Peter Rhodes
Cr Gerald Willis
Cr Ronald Wise

APOLOGIES

Cr Mary-Anne Roberts

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Raoul Harper - General Manager
Vicki Warden - Executive Assistant

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the Minutes from the Ordinary Council Meeting held on the 21st August 2014 be confirmed.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

In accordance with *Section 31 (1) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005* and the Flinders Council Policy the following procedures be adhered to at public question time:-

It is the policy of the Flinders Council to allow a 'Question Time' at Ordinary Council Meetings, during which members of the public may ask questions of the Council relating to Flinders Council matters.

The basis on which questions may be asked is:

1. All questions will be addressed through the Chair (being the Mayor in normal circumstances) who will answer them as she/he sees fit. Under no circumstances will members of the gallery be permitted to address or question either elected members or officers of the Council. The Chair may delegate answers to the appropriate Councillor or staff member if appropriate.

2. Persons addressing the Chair must pay the respect due to that office. Failure to do so may mean their address is terminated without notice.
3. Where the answer cannot be provided immediately, it will be provided in writing within 14 days and tabled at the following Ordinary Council Meeting.
4. All questioners are encouraged to register their intent to question with the General Manager before the meeting. Preference will be given to those who have so registered.
5. Question time shall not extend longer than 30 minutes and may be divided into two 15 minute sessions.
6. The actual timing of the session(s) is to be immediately after the opening of the meeting and advertised with the notice of meeting.

LATE AGENDA ITEMS

Nil

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

In accordance with Part 2 Regulation 8 (7) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005, the Chairman of a meeting is to request Councillors to indicate whether they have, or are likely to have, a pecuniary interest in any item on the agenda.

Accordingly, Councillors are requested to advise of a pecuniary interest they may have in respect to any matter appearing on the agenda, or any supplementary item to the agenda, which the Council has resolved to deal with, in accordance with Part 2 Regulation 8 (6) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

PETITIONS

Nil

WORKSHOPS & INFORMATION FORUMS

File No: COU/0205

No Council Workshops were held during the reporting period.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Nil

COUNCILLOR'S QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil

COUNCILLOR'S QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Regulation 29 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005 specifies that in putting a Question Without Notice a Councillor must not offer an argument or opinion, draw any inference or make any imputations except so far as may be necessary to explain the question. The Chairperson must not permit any debate of a Question without Notice or its answer.

PUBLICATIONS/REPORTS TABLED FOR COUNCIL INFORMATION

Nil

REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED

Furneaux Group Aviation Special Committee

File No: COM/0104

Annexure 1: *Furneaux Group Aviation Special Committee Unconfirmed Minutes 26th August 2014*

OFFICER'S REPORT (Raoul Harper, General Manager):

The unconfirmed minutes of the Furneaux Group Aviation Special Committee meeting held on Thursday 26th August 2014 have been provided for consideration. The minutes outline what the committee has been working on to date and can now be noted by Council.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the unconfirmed minutes of the Furneaux Group Aviation Special Committee meeting held on Thursday 26th August 2014 be received and noted.

Audit & Finance Special Committee

File No: FIN/1300

Annexure 2: *Audit & Finance Special Committee Unconfirmed Minutes 26th August 2014*

OFFICER'S REPORT (Raoul Harper, General Manager):

The unconfirmed minutes of the Audit & Finance Special Committee meeting held on Thursday 26th August 2014 have been provided for consideration. The minutes outline what the committee has been working on to date and can now be noted by Council.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the unconfirmed minutes of the Audit & Finance Special Committee meeting held on Thursday 26th August 2014 be received and noted.

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Nil

MAYOR'S REPORT:

ACTION	Information
PROPONENT	Mayor C Cox
FILE REFERENCE	COU/0600
ASSOCIATED PAPERS	Nil

REPORT:

APPOINTMENTS:

21.08.2014	Meeting with Hydro Tasmania Representatives re 2015 Australian Small Islands Forum
21.08.2014	Council Meeting
26.08.2014	Red Cross Fund Raiser
26.08.2014	Meeting with J Loudon re Multi-Purpose Centre access and gardens
26.08.2014	Audit & Finance Special Committee meeting
26.08.2014	Furneaux Group Aviation Special Committee meeting
26.08.2014	Flinders Island & District High School Association meeting
28.08.2014	Furneaux Freight (1 st Telephone contact)
29.08.2014	Lady Barron Hall development meeting
30.08.2014	Junior Football Grand Final
02.09.2014	Emergency Management Recovery Communications Training
02.09.2014	Met with Tasports representative
02.09.2014	Hospital Auxiliary meeting
02.09.2014	Red Cross Centenary rose planting
02.09.2014	Furneaux Health Special Committee meeting (lack of quorum)
03.09.2014	CWA BBQ & Sew n Sew Gallery Exhibition Opening
04.09.2014	Meeting with Minister Hidding and Liberal Bass Members re shipping
04.09.2014	Meeting with Michelle O'Byrne MP
04.09.2014	Meeting with Tasports & others re shipping
05.09.2014	Meeting with Sarah Courtney MP
05.09.2014	Meeting with Roberts Ltd
06.09.2014	Flinders Island Running Festival - Pub to Pub
07.09.2014	Flinders Island Running Festival - Flinders 5
09.09.2014	Flinders Island Aboriginal Association Inc. Launch of Indigenous Quit Smoking Campaign

Australian Small Islands Forum (ASIF) 2015:

Subsequent to Flinders Council advising interested parties that it would not be hosting the ASIF in April 2015, Norfolk Island advised that it would look at holding the forum in September 2015. The organising party is led by Andre` Nobbs of the Oceania Economic Development Corporation.

Red Cross:

A small community group witnessed the planting of the Rose that commemorates 100 years of Red Cross in Australia - centenary date of 13th August 1914. A search of the internet revealed that the Furneaux Group was involved with the Red Cross and the War effort from 6th August 1915 if not earlier with fundraising and donations occurring both on Flinders and Cape Barren Islands. The Red Cross was represented at the planting and also presented free workshops on “Emergency Preparedness and Recovery” and “Communicating in Recovery” which were well attended, including by members of the Municipal Emergency Management Committee.

Flinders Island District High School Association:

Nominations are currently being called for a Parent Representative and a Community Representative to be committee members of the Association. Nominations close on the 22nd September.

Shipping:

Council lobbied the government for a solution to the current shipping issue. A solution will deliver a long term sustainable service to the islands, meeting the freight needs of all sectors of both Flinders and Cape Barren Islands. It was stressed that it is important that freight rates do not escalate and that livestock can continue to be transported to meet quality assurance guidelines.

The **media release of the 4th September** from the Minister for Infrastructure, Rene Hidding MP is as follows:

“Update on Furneaux Shipping

The Liberal Government has today requested TasPorts immediately develop short and medium term options to ensure continuity of shipping services to Flinders and Cape Barren Islands.

The request follows the notice by Furneaux Freight that it would withdraw from stevedoring and shipping services for the islands from 28 September.

Today I confirmed to the Flinders Island Mayor Carol Cox that the Government will ensure a sustainable, safe and efficient shipping service for the Furneaux Islands communities.

Freight shipping is the lifeblood of the island economy. The Liberal Government, TasPorts and the Flinders Island Council are working together to ensure these freight services are not interrupted.

The Government, through the Treasurer, has also spoken directly to the owner of Furneaux Freight, Matthew Bayles."

Council is waiting for outcomes and advice on shipping post 28th September.

Hydro Tasmania Flinders Island Running Festival:

Congratulations to the organisers of the Hydro Tasmania Flinders Island Running Festival - a wonderful event that attracted a great number of participants, local and visitors, to all three events. Thank you to all the organisers, the volunteers, the participants and sponsors, particularly the major sponsor, Hydro Tasmania that made this event happen and I look forward to next year's event.

Indigenous Quit Smoking Campaign - "Smoking won't Crush Us":

This promotion is a Tasmanian wide campaign that is part of an Australian wide campaign. The Flinders Island Aboriginal Association Inc. is the agency running the campaign in Tasmania. Local ambassadors from around Tasmania are used to promote the rewards of not smoking, encouraging current smokers to quit and non-smokers not to take it up.

There was a strong attendance at the Launch. The campaign is targeted at the indigenous sector of our population due to the much higher rate of smoking in this community sector. In 2012-13, two in five (41%) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 15 years and over smoked on a daily basis. This is a significant decrease from 49% in 2002. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 15 years and over are 2.6 times as likely as non-Indigenous people to be current daily smokers.

<http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/Latestproducts/39E15DC7E770A144CA257C2F00145A66?opendocument>

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

DATE	WHO	SUBJECT
13.08.14	Dr Felicity-ann Lewis, Australian Local Government Association	2014 National Local Roads and Transport Congress
15.08.14	Rick Shadbolt, Chief Executive, Integrity Sampling(Tas) Pty Ltd	Offer of assistance with Drug and Alcohol Management Programs (DAMP)
20.08.14	Chris Walter, Austeco Energy	Invitation to attend the next Austeco Open Day
21.08.14	Cr Peter Rhodes	Meeting apology & allowance advice
21.08.14	Glenn Harrison, Alliance Data Suppression Services	Australian Bereavement Register

21.08.14	Peter Gutwein MP, Minister for Planning and Local Government	Flinders Draft Interim Planning Scheme
21.08.14	Flinders Island Aboriginal Association Inc.	Invitation to attend the Tackling Smoking Campaign Launch
25.08.14	Guy Taylor, Executive Director of Marketing, Tourism Tasmania	Latest tourism campaign – Go Behind the Scenery
26.08.14	Southern Cross Care (Tas) Inc.	Request for acknowledgement of Active Living Program – Virtual Walk
26.08.14	Dianne Snowden, Tasmanian Heritage Council	Location of war memorials and honour boards for the Centenary of ANZAC Committee
26.08.14	Tasmanian Audit Office	Confirmation of receipt of Flinders Council Financial Report year ending 2014
27.08.14	Cheryl Fuller, Electorate Officer for Tasmania	Invitation to attend the official opening of Jacqui Lambie’s office (apology sent)
28.08.14	Prue Woodford, Co-owner (Youcamp.com)	Assessing interest in Freedom travellers in your Council area
29.08.14	Denise Colvin, Administration Coordinator, NRM North	Natural Resource Management Community Awards Presentations evening – 29/09/14
29.08.14	Kate Posch, Garden Group, Flinders Island Multi – Purpose Centre (MPC)	Request for donation to garden project
01.09.14	Kate Posch, Garden Group, Flinders Island MPC	Confirmation of receipt of information regarding Council’s support of garden project
01.09.14	Professor Peter Rathjen, Vice-Chancellor, University of Tasmania	University of Tasmania Impact Statement 2014
04.09.14	Launceston Airport	Invitation to attend the presentation of the Launceston Airport Annual Stakeholder Report 2014
08.09.14	Gail Murray, Secretary of the Board, Tourism Northern Tasmania	Notification of Tourism Northern Tasmania AGM - 23/09/14
09.09.14	Natalie Lo, Administration & Finance Officer, COTA Tas	Invitation to A Day on the Green launch for Seniors Week 2014 - 01/10/14

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

DATE	WHO	SUBJECT
21.08.14	Cr Peter Rhodes	Notification of receipt of meeting apology & allowance advice
25.08.14	Andre' Nobbs, CEO, Oceania Economic Development Corporation	Notification of cancellation of 2015 Australian Small Islands Forum
25.08.14	Australian Small Islands Forum Steering Committee	Notification of cancellation of 2015 Australian Small Islands Forum
25.08.14	Greg Cooper	Notification of cancellation of 2015 Australian Small Islands Forum
28.08.14	Michael Buck, Flinders Island Tourism Assoc.	Notification of cancellation of 2015 Australian Small Islands Forum
31.08.14	Kate Posch, Garden Group, Flinders Island MPC	Confirmation of Council's support of garden project
01.09.14	Darren Grace	Thank you for contribution on Furneaux Group Shipping Special Committee
01.09.14	Scott Woods	Confirmation of position on Furneaux Group Shipping Special Committee
01.09.14	David Madden	Confirmation of position on Furneaux Group Shipping Special Committee
02.09.14	Peter Gutwien MP, Minister for Local Government	Resolution passed regarding the establishment of an Audit Panel
02.09.14	Mike Blake, Auditor General	Resolution passed regarding the establishment of an Audit Panel
03.09.14	Andrew Nikolic MP, Federal Member for Bass	Notification of cancellation of 2015 Australian Small Islands Forum
03.09.14	Furneaux community & various other stakeholders	Householder - Furneaux Freight Services to the Islands

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Mayor's report be received.

OPERATIONAL BUSINESS OF COUNCIL

A. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Item A1: Notice of Motion from Mayor Carol Cox – Nomination of Furneaux Group Aviation Committee Representative
File No: COM/0104

B. GOVERNANCE

Item B1: Local Government of Tasmania (LGAT) General Meeting
File No: COU/0303

Annexure 3: LGAT General Meeting Agenda September 2014

Annexure 4: LGAT General Meeting attachments September 2014

Item B2: Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) – 2014 Election

File No: COU/0303

Annexure 5: Letter from Doug Chipman

Annexure 6: Email from Steven Kons

Annexure 7: Email from Allan Garcia

Annexure 8: Letter from Daryl Quilliam

Item B3: Councillor Resolution Report

File No: COU/0600

Annexure 9: Councillor Resolution Report September 2014

C. CLOSED COUNCIL

Item C1: Closed Council Item

File No: PUB/0800

Annexure 10 - 13: CONFIDENTIAL For Elected Members only

Item C2: Closed Council Item

File No: COM/0103, FIN/1300

Annexure 14: CONFIDENTIAL For Elected Members only

Item C3: Closed Council Item

File No: COU/0600

Annexure 15: CONFIDENTIAL For Elected Members only

Meeting Closed

A. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Item A1: Notice of Motion from Mayor Carol Cox – Nomination of Furneaux Group Aviation Committee Representative

ACTION	Decision
PROPONENT	Mayor Carol Cox (Chair, Furneaux Group Aviation Special Committee)
OFFICER	Raoul Harper, General Manager
FILE REFERENCE	COM/0104
ASSOCIATED PAPERS	<i>Nil</i>

NOTICE OF MOTION:

That Mr Ken Stockton be appointed forthwith as the Community Representative on the Furneaux Group Aviation Special Committee.

COUNCILLOR’S REPORT:

The position of Community Representative on the Furneaux Group Aviation Special Committee was advertised in the 22nd May, 5th June and 19th June editions of Island News. Four expressions of interest for the position were received. At the 26th August 2014 committee meeting, a closed ballot was conducted and the successful candidate for recommendation to Council was Ken Stockton (Annexure 1). I now present this nomination for ratification.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

19th June 2014

OFFICER’S REPORT:

The motion is supported.

STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS:

Local Government Act 1993

POLICY/STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

- 4.0 Community Safety, Engagement and Enterprise
 - 4.3 Maintain and develop productive, constructive relationships with the community and organisations involved in delivery of strategic services and activities in the islands.
 - 4.3.1 Engage with, as necessary support and integrate into Flinders Council plans key community based service providers.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

RISK/LIABILITY:

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:

That Mr Ken Stockton be appointed forthwith as the community representative on the Furneaux Group Aviation Special Committee.

B. GOVERNANCE

Item B1: Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) General Meeting

ACTION	Decision
PROPONENT	Council Officer
OFFICER	Raoul Harper, General manager
FILE REFERENCE	COU/0303
ASSOCIATED PAPERS	<i>Annexure 3: LGAT General Meeting Agenda September 2014 Annexure 4: LGAT General Meeting attachments September 2014</i>

INTRODUCTION:

The LGAT General Meeting will be held on the 24th September 2014. The meeting Agenda and attachments are provided for elected members as Annexures 3 & 4.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil

OFFICER'S REPORT:

A number of motions are included in the LGAT General Meeting Agenda. Council provides direction to the Mayor in relation to voting. The agenda can be accessed at the LGAT website through the following link:
<http://www.lgat.tas.gov.au/page.aspx?u=684#e895>

STATUTORY REQUIREMENT:

Nil

POLICY/STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

5.0 Corporate Governance and Intergovernmental Relations
5.4 Actively participate in local government, industry and regional organisations.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

No known budget implications at this time.

RISK/LIABILITY:

Minimal

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:

Council notes the Local Government Association of Tasmania General Meeting Agenda and provides the Mayor with direction in relation to the items listed for a decision.

Item B2: Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) – 2014 Election

ACTION	Decision
PROPONENT	Council Officer
OFFICER	Raoul Harper, General manager
FILE REFERENCE	COU/0303
ASSOCIATED PAPERS	<i>Annexure 5: Letter from Doug Chipman Annexure 6: Email from Steven Kons Annexure 7: Email from Allan Garcia Annexure 8: Letter from Daryl Quilliam</i>

INTRODUCTION:

The Tasmanian Electoral Commission is conducting the 2014 election of the LGAT President to serve until the conclusion of the 2015 Annual General Meeting of the Association. This election is being conducted in accordance with Rule 27(c) as the current President intends to cease being a Councillor following the 2014 ordinary local government elections. Flinders Council's vote must be received by 22nd October 2014.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil

OFFICER'S REPORT:

Council provides direction to the Mayor in relation to voting for the position of LGAT president. The candidates are as follows:

- Arnol, Cheryl – Glamorgan Spring Bay Council
- Chipman, Doug – Clarence City Council
- Jarvis, Barry John – Dorset Council
- Kons, Steven – Burnie City Council
- Quilliam, Daryl Herbert – Circular Head Council

Annexures 5, 6 & 8 provides information received from two candidates and Annexure 7 provides procedural guidelines on the voting process.

STATUTORY REQUIREMENT:

Nil

POLICY/STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

5.0 Corporate Governance and Intergovernmental Relations
5.4 Actively participate in local government, industry and regional organisations.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

RISK/LIABILITY:

Low

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:

Council provides the Mayor with direction in relation to how to vote.

Item B3: Councillor Resolution Report

ACTION	Information
PROPONENT	Council Officer
OFFICER	Raoul Harper, General Manager
FILE REFERENCE	COU/0600
ASSOCIATED PAPERS	<i>Annexure 9: Councillor Resolution Report September 2014</i>

INTRODUCTION:

This report identifies the actions taken and actual costs associated with implementing resolutions passed by elected members up to September 2014.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

The report is presented on a monthly basis.

OFFICER'S REPORT:

Please read Annexure 9 – Councillor Resolution Report September 2014.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:

That the Councillor Resolution Report September 2014 be noted.

E. CLOSED COUNCIL

Item C1 - C3: Closed Council Items

ACTION	Decision
PROPONENT	Council Officer
OFFICERS	Raoul Harper, General Manager
FILE REFERENCE	PUB/0800, COM/0103, FIN/1300, COU/0600
ASSOCIATED PAPERS	<i>Annexure 9 - 14: CONFIDENTIAL For Elected Members only</i>

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil

REASON FOR CLOSED COUNCIL:

Items C1, C2 and C3 are **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 15(2) (f) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005*.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Absolute Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:

That Council move into Closed Council.

Meeting Closed