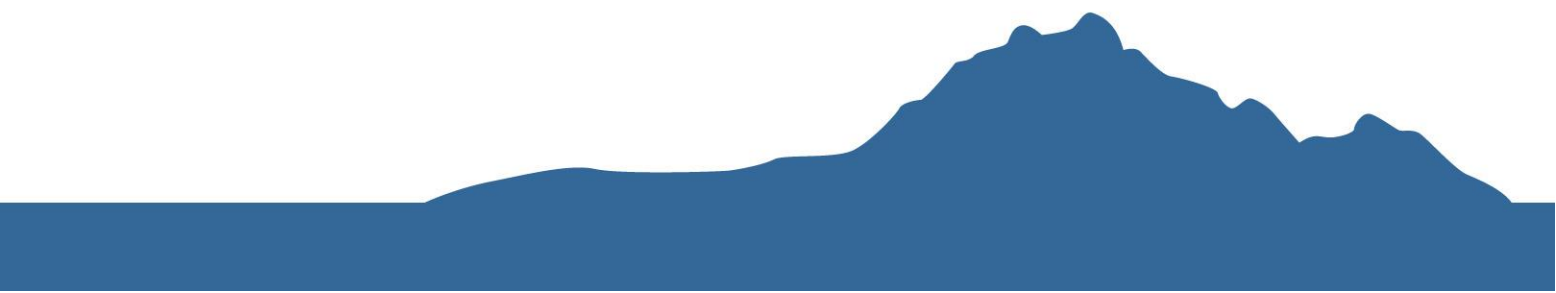




Confirmed Minutes  
Ordinary Council Meeting  
15 March 2018



# FLINDERS COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING

## CONFIRMED MINUTES

**DATE:** Thursday 15 March 2018  
**VENUE:** Flinders Arts and Entertainment Centre, Whitemark  
**COMMENCING:** 1.00 pm

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### PRESENT

Mayor Carol Cox  
Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham  
Cr Chris Rhodes  
Cr Peter Rhodes  
Cr Ken Stockton  
Cr David Williams  
Cr Gerald Willis

### APOLOGIES

Nil

### STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Bill Boehm - General Manager  
Brian Barnewall - Works and Services Manager  
Jacci Viney - Development Services Coordinator  
Vicki Warden - Executive Officer

### CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

**48.03.2018 Moved:** Deputy Mayor M Cobham      **Seconded:** Cr K Stockton  
That the Minutes from the Ordinary Council Meeting and the Closed Council Meeting held on the 15 February 2018 be confirmed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)**

**For:** Mayor Carol Cox, Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham, Cr Chris Rhodes, Cr Peter Rhodes, Cr Ken Stockton, Cr David Williams and Cr Gerald Willis.

### PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

#### Question 1: Robin Walker

Having noticed the promise from the Liberal Party for \$900,000 towards the Safe Harbour Program, my question to you is:

Will the Whitemark boat ramp and jetty be brought up to an acceptable standard before Council pursues money for a project that will not benefit most islanders?

The problems at Whitemark are:

- Most regular users believe the wharf was built on the wrong side of the ramp – it should have been placed where the existing wharf was. (Obviously this cannot be changed now.)
- The concrete overlay has deteriorated to a dangerous level where it was feathered out on the existing cement ramp.

- No rubber buffers have been provided. The only rubber there is what I personally provided which is better than none. I brought this to the attention of MAST when the wharf was being built and they referred me to the council works manager. I was informed that the project was going over budget, but buffers would be put in the next year's budget. To date there has been no progress that I can see.

**Mayor's Response:**

The new Jetty was built on the northern side so that the facility would have minimal disruption to users whilst construction took place and after wind rose averages over the past five years showed very little difference in preference in siting for wind direction.

The ramp has been inspected with Furneaux Precast Concrete and the decision has been made to try cutting the concrete at a thickness of 100 mm and then dyna bolting rubber kerbing ramp across the section that overlays the old concrete ramp. The northern side of the ramp will need concrete sandbagging to match the rubber ramping.

The rubber buffers can be ordered and installed however the existing buffers that Robin Walker installed are still very serviceable.

**Question 2: Margaret Wheatley**

How much money has been allocated in Flinders Council budget to re-sheet the gravel section of Palana Road in each of the past 5 financial years, and how much of the allocation has been spent?

**Mayor's Response:**

As one of the main gravel collector roads the maintenance of Palana Road is a priority and ideally should be reconstructed and sealed. This upgrade project is the second highest of the 2017 Priority Projects adopted by Council, with lobbying at the State Government level for assistance to seal Palana Road being well-advanced.

On average the following recurrent maintenance costs are applicable:

To grade 5 times per year	\$52,000
To pothole 3 times per year	\$10,000
To resheet 4.1 km per year so that full length covered every 7 years	\$41,000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$103,000</b>

Not including maintenance grading and pothole expenditure, gravel resheet costs are as follows:

- For the period of financial years ending 2012 -2014, a total of \$74,255 was allocated with \$79,337 being spent.
- For the financial year ending 2015, no money was allocated as we had our first resealing program after the purchase of a new bitumen sprayer and spreader boxes.
- For the financial year ending 2016, \$32,500 was allocated and around \$13,000 spent due to emergency Airport Runway repairs and resealing.
- Last year the allocated amount was increased to \$67,550 to make up for the shortfall the previous year, but once again emergency Airport Runway repairs took up valuable time and resources and therefore there was only an amount of \$4,700 spent on Palana Rd.
- This year the increased allocated amount is \$78,400 and works have already begun on the resheeting of Palana Rd. As we are now up to date with Airport repairs we envisage the full amount being spent this year.

### **Question 3: Penny Conn**

David Conn and others are interested to know where Council is at with the proposed project for the removal of Paramatta Grass infestation on roadsides using herbicides as discussed at previous workshops. There is a short window of time in the autumn for spraying to occur and landowners are eager to arrest the spread of this weed.

#### **Mayor's Response:**

Following Council Workshops, Council is still awaiting receipt of information from stakeholders concerning facts sheets associated with Parramatta Grass so that this can be circulated to the Community along with any other relevant information regarding the use of the herbicide. Council's Works and Services Manager has had discussions with a local contractor regarding the potential costs and alternative ways of setting up an appropriate spraying method.

## **RESPONSE TO PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

### **15 February 2018 Council Meeting**

#### **Question 1: Mick Rose on behalf of Flinders Island Tourism and Business Incorporated**

With willing developers and a shortage of housing, combined with the proposed golf course sustainability issue, the Whitemark Structure Plan has increased importance to the strategic goals of organisations that input to this Community. Could Flinders Council update on the Whitemark Structure Plan?

#### **Acting Mayor's Response:**

The potential re development of the Sports and RSL Club and the sustainability of the Club is a key Council consideration as it's an essential requirement that the Club's future is intertwined with the Community. The facility is a "Community Hub" and is also seen as such by the State Government. Accordingly, any future residential development is seen as being complimentary, rather than the driving force, to the long-term sustainability of the Club, of which the Community facilities are key.

The Whitemark Structure Plan is integral to the development of the town but it's progress is significantly dependent on outcomes from the current flood and coastal inundation study which is well underway. Consultants have already undertaken significant analysis and are near completion of what is a complex situation, during which they have discussed various aspects with some key local landowners who have a long history with respect to drainage in the area. As a general comment it is clear that this study will highlight the obvious i.e. there is limited scope for expansion within Whitemark itself. Once this work is completed then the constraints on potential residential development on the golf course land can then be determined as well as allowing formal consultation for the Whitemark Structure Plan to commence. No date has yet been set but a likely timeframe should be able to be outlined in March.

There are two important elements to the Whitemark Structure Plan. One is the land zoning aspects which are more or less self-evident. The second element involves broader township consolidation / infill, various commercial operations, streetscape works and town entrances which require extensive consultation. FITBI has a significant stake in this aspect and is encouraged to participate.

From a residential development perspective, the current housing shortage is not impacted by development of the Whitemark Structure Plan as there are ample other potentially suitable sites close to Whitemark and in other locations. Enabling these to be developed is in reality

constrained not by land availability but by market dynamics. The State Government's Housing Investigation will be key to addressing this issue.

**Question 2: Michael Buck**

Given the Council's involvement in Fire Management on the Island, was there any consideration given to reduction burns in high visitor areas such as Castle Rock and Vinegar Hill in Lady Barron.

**Acting Mayor's Response:**

Council is a stakeholder in the Fire Management Area Committee (FMAC); a committee constructed by TasFire to act as a liaison and consultative committee in the local government area. The FMAC has developed a Fire Management Area Plan (FMAP)/Fire Protection Plan that outlined some strategic areas to be treated for the protection of assets including townships. Unfortunately, the aesthetic and natural values components of fire modelling do not appear as a high priority in the FMAP which can present an issue in an area such as ours that prides itself on the maintenance of natural values and builds a tourism economy around it. TasFire has a clear view of mitigation works and Council is working, via the FMAC, to try to provide for a more considered approach.

**49.03.2018 Moved:** Cr G Willis      **Seconded:** Cr P Rhodes

That the responses to the public questions asked at the 15 February 2018 Council Meeting be noted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)**

**For:** Mayor Carol Cox, Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham, Cr Chris Rhodes, Cr Peter Rhodes, Cr Ken Stockton, Cr David Williams and Cr Gerald Willis.

**COUNCILLOR'S QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

Nil

**COUNCILLOR'S QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

**Question 1: Cr David Williams**

With reference to Terence Klug's discussions with the General Manager relating to "penalty rates applied to overdue rates", could you please confirm the process which will be adopted to review this matter?

**General Manager's Response**

The letter has been responded to indicating that the General Manager has the delegation on this. The size of penalty interest rate will come before Council in the discussions of next year's budget.

**Question 2: Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham**

Can the General Manager confirm that the lease and insurance have been finalised for the Whitemark Community Gym facility?

**General Manager's Response**

The lease is with the Lions Club and we are waiting for them to come back to us. The insurance is yet to be confirmed.

*Note: After the meeting is was confirmed that once daily checklists are instigated the insurance cover will be in place.*

**Question 3: Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham**

Can the General Manager provide an update on the Badger Corner boat ramp upgrade re the Crown Land transfer and MAST application progress?

**Mayor's Response**

This has been reported in the Resolution Report and questions in relation to this and the previous question should be asked in relation to that agenda item.

**Question 4: Cr Gerald Willis**

Is the Council taking steps to encourage timely responses for stakeholders re spraying Paramatta Grass?

**Mayor's Response**

Council followed up directly with the Roberts Ltd representative today.

**LATE AGENDA ITEMS**

Nil

**DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Cr Gerald Willis may have an interest in Item B1.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

**PETITIONS**

Nil

## WORKSHOPS & INFORMATION FORUMS

File No: COU/0205

### Council Workshop held on 1 March 2018

Council held a Workshop on the following subjects:

- Item 1. Flinders Island Aviation – Peter Barron
- Item 2. West St Project
- Item 3. Budget for Basic Garden Additions to Whitemark Townscape
- Item 4. TasWater Update
- Item 5. Furneaux Islands Festival Brief Review
- Item 6. Flinders Island Tourism and Business Inc.
- Item 7. NE River Camp Site
- Item 8. Camper Visitors & Tourist Numbers– Cr Ken Stockton
- Item 9. Policy Overview
- Item 10. General Manager’s Update

#### Councillors Present:

Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham, Cr Peter Rhodes, Cr Ken Stockton, Cr David Williams and Cr Gerald Willis.

#### Apologies:

Mayor Carol Cox  
Cr Chris Rhodes

#### Staff and Consultants Present:

Bill Boehm (General Manager), Vicki Warden (Executive Officer), Peter Barron (Flinders Island Aviation - Item 1), Brian Barnewall (Works & Services / Airport Manager - Items 1, 2 & 3), Dan Pitcher (Community Development Officer - Item 4), Stacey Wheatley (Community Development Officer - Item 4), Dianna Droog (Flinders Island Tourism and Business Inc. - Item 5), Michael Grimshaw (Flinders Island Tourism and Business Inc. - Item 5), and Robyn Cox (Strategic Planner - Items 5, 6, 7 & 8).

*As workshops and information sessions are for information and discussion purposes only, no decisions are made or foreshadowed at these proceedings.*

#### VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That the Council Workshop held on 1 March 2018 be noted.

#### DECISION:

**50.03.2018 Moved:** Cr P Rhodes      **Seconded:** Cr G Willis  
That the Council Workshop held on 1 March 2018 be noted.

### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

**For:** Mayor Carol Cox, Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham, Cr Chris Rhodes, Cr Peter Rhodes, Cr Ken Stockton, Cr David Williams and Cr Gerald Willis.

**PUBLIC MEETINGS**

Nil

**PUBLICATIONS/REPORTS TABLED FOR COUNCIL INFORMATION**

Nil



## REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED

### Furneau (Emita) Hall and Recreation Special Committee

File No: AME/0502

*Annexure 1: Furneau (Emita) Hall and Recreation Special Committee Meeting 25 February 2018 Unconfirmed Minutes*

### OFFICER'S REPORT (Bill Boehm, General Manager):

The unconfirmed minutes of the Furneau (Emita) Hall and Recreation Special Committee Meeting held 25 February 2018 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 Furneau (Emita) Hall and Recreation Special Committee Meeting General Meeting held 25 February 2018 be noted.

### DECISION:

**51.03.2018 Moved:** Cr K Stockton                      **Seconded:** Cr G Willis

That the unconfirmed minutes of the Furneau (Emita) Hall and Recreation Special Committee Meeting General Meeting held 25 February 2018 be noted.

### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

**For:** Mayor Carol Cox, Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham, Cr Chris Rhodes, Cr Peter Rhodes, Cr Ken Stockton, Cr David Williams and Cr Gerald Willis.

*Note: The unconfirmed minutes contain reference to actions to be undertaken by the Emita Sports and Recreation Group Inc. which should be kept separate from the Special Committee's actions.*

### **Furneau Community Health Special Committee**

**File No:** CSV/0912

*Annexure 2: Furneau Community Health Special Committee Meeting 14 November 2017  
Confirmed Minutes*

*Annexure 3: Furneau Community Health Special Committee Meeting 21 February 2018  
Unconfirmed Minutes*

### **OFFICER'S REPORT (Bill Boehm, General Manager):**

The confirmed minutes of the Furneau Community Health Special Committee Meeting held 14 November 2017 and the unconfirmed minutes of the meeting held 21 February 2018 have been provided for consideration. The minutes outline what the Committee has been working on to date and the confirmed minutes can now be received and the unconfirmed minutes noted by Council.

### **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

That the confirmed minutes of the Furneau Community Health Special Committee Meeting held 14 November 2017 be received and the unconfirmed minutes of the meeting held 21 February 2018 be noted.

### **DECISION:**

**52.03.2018 Moved:** Cr P Rhodes      **Seconded:** Cr D Williams

That the confirmed minutes of the Furneau Community Health Special Committee Meeting held 14 November 2017 be received and the unconfirmed minutes of the meeting held 21 February 2018 be noted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)**

**For:** Mayor Carol Cox, Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham, Cr Chris Rhodes, Cr Peter Rhodes, Cr Ken Stockton, Cr David Williams and Cr Gerald Willis.

## COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

No reports received for this reporting period.

*Note: Cr Gerald Willis provided a TasWater report for this meeting however it was inadvertently omitted from the Agenda and will be included in the April Meeting Agenda.*

**ACTING MAYOR'S REPORT:**

<b>ACTION</b>	<b>Information</b>
<b>PROPONENT</b>	Acting Mayor Marc Cobham
<b>FILE REFERENCE</b>	COU/0600
<b>ASSOCIATED PAPERS</b>	Nil

**REPORT:****ACTIVITIES:**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>ITEM</b>
07.02.18	Meet with Mayor Cox re handover of duties
15.02.18	Meeting with Marie Tetlow and John Pitt re Northern Tasmania Development Corporation (NTDC) update report
15.02.18	Council Meeting
17.02.18	Morning with Liberal Party Bass candidates Michael Ferguson, Peter Gutwein, Sarah Courtney, Simon Wood and Premier Will Hodgman re "Flinders Island Package" election
23.02.18	Met with delegation from Japanese International Centre of Local Government Assistant Directors Mr Toshiya Komatsu and Mr Yuta Watanabe
01.03.18	Council Workshop
02.03.18	Attended exhibition opening, Strait Works Gallery

**Liberal Party Candidates' Visit:**

The Island had a visit from our Liberal candidates for the seat of Bass. Several significant promises were made as part of their Flinders Island Package if they were successful in being re-elected.

- \$100,000 promised to the Flinders Island Sports and RSL Club to kickstart the first stage of a redevelopment as a community hub including development of new tennis courts;
- \$25,000 for the Furneaux Museum to upgrade facilities and \$10,000 for the development of a Furneaux Geo Trail;
- \$500,000 for better accommodation for health professionals on Flinders Island; and
- \$60,000 for Community Services Tasmania to support a 2-year trial of a new community transport service on Flinders Island to connect residents to medical and social appointments.

**International Delegation:**

Recently I had the pleasure of meeting two assistant directors from the Japan Local Government Centre (Sydney and Tokyo Offices), Mr Toshiya Komatsu and Mr Yuta Watanabe. The meeting was to advise them on the specific issues relating to island living for Council and the Community and for an international project their office is compiling the promotion and marketing of isolated islands in Australia.

**"Local Hide" Exhibition:**

The latest exhibition at our community gallery once again highlighted the incredible artistic talent we have living in our Community. Congratulations to Aimee Wheatley, Claire Nichols and Katie Cole who have used Flinders Island wallaby skins to create a wide range of utilitarian objects and artworks. The launch of another uniquely Flinders Island product.

**CORRESPONDENCE IN:**

DATE	WHO	SUBJECT
08.02.18	Dr Katrena Stephenson CEO, Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT)	Updated TasWater budget projections
11.02.18	M Grimshaw	Reasoning for lack of support for Flinders Island Tourism and Business Inc.
12.02.18	L Smith	House number replacement
12.02.18	Australian Government National Landcare Program	Natural Resource Management (NRM) North letter of support
13.02.18	Kevin Moore	TasPorts Resignation
14.02.18	Alison Lai – CEO, Volunteering Tasmania	Nominations are open for 2018 Volunteering Awards
15.02.18	Alex Tay, Director of Local Government	Auditor-General Reports on Local Government - November 2017
17.02.18	J O'Dell	Glamping proposal
18.02.18	Dr Katrena Stephenson, CEO, LGAT	Review of Councillor Allowances
19.02.18	Rikki-lee Ross, Northern Tasmania Development Corporation (NTDC)	Updated Regional Priority Projects List
20.02.18	Kate Hiscock, Strategic, Communications Director, LGAT	Social Media Messaging - Keep TasWater in Community Hands
25.02.18	Ian James	Cafe in the North, site selection committee
27.02.18	Yuta Watanabe, Japan Local Government Centre	Request for information regarding tourism and council issues
27.02.18 and 01.03.18	Dr Rob Gill, Swinburne University of Technology	Student support for Flinders Island Tourism and Business Inc. (FITBI)
28.02.18	Mr Greg Preece Chairperson, Local Government Board	Letter from the Chairperson of the Local Government Board
28.02.18	Dr Katrena Stephenson, CEO, LGAT	Pokies, Wrest Point and the LGAT Conference
01.03.18	Stuart Carliss, TasWater	List of TasWater key contacts
06.03.18	Matthew Abey, Department of Premier and Cabinet	Invite to Local Government Health and Wellbeing Forum
07.03.18	Volunteering Tasmania	Final Call for Nominations for the 2018 Volunteering Awards

**CORRESPONDENCE OUT:**

DATE	WHO	SUBJECT
08.02.18	T Komatsu, Japan Local Government Centre	Meeting date and time
12.02.18	M Grimshaw	FITBI presentation at Council Workshop
12.02.18	Natural Resource Management - North	Letter of Support for NRM North's Tender for Regional Land Partnerships

DATE	WHO	SUBJECT
22.02.18	Mick Rose	Response to 15 February Public Question
22.02.18	Six Community Organisations	Acquittal of 2017 Community Grants and Gunn Bequests
22.02.18	M Rose	Response to public question Whitemark Structure Plan
25.02.18	Ian James	Cafe in the North Project
06.03.18	M Buck	Response to public question on fire management

#### **VOTING REQUIREMENTS:**

Simple Majority

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Mayor's report be received.

#### **DECISION:**

**53.03.2018 Moved:** Cr D Williams    **Seconded:** Cr G Willis

That the Mayor's report be received.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)**

**For:** Mayor Carol Cox, Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham, Cr Chris Rhodes, Cr Peter Rhodes, Cr Ken Stockton, Cr David Williams and Cr Gerald Willis.

<b>A. DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AND PLANNING APPLICATIONS</b>
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**Item A1: Development Application Report**

<b>ACTION</b>	<b>Information</b>
<b>PROPONENT</b>	Council Officer
<b>OFFICER</b>	Jacci Viney, Development Services Coordinator
<b>FILE REFERENCE</b>	PLN/0105
<b>ASSOCIATED PAPERS</b>	<i>Annexure 4: Planner's Information Report - February 2018</i>

**INTRODUCTION:**

The purpose of this report is to provide Councillors with an update of the applications which have been dealt with by the Planning Department for the current period as per the council motion 249.09.2015, passed at the 24<sup>th</sup> September 2015 Council Meeting.

Council has requested that the planning consultancy service (West Tamar Council) provide this detail to Council on a monthly basis.

Permitted applications are assessed under s58 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* and as such are not advertised nor are the applicant's details made public. Applicants retain the right to privacy having met all development and use standards applicable within the current planning scheme. Applications made under this section must be granted a permit, with or without conditions.

The numbering of applications relates to the allocation provided by the 'Regulatory Applications' (RegApps) electronic filing system. Numbers are allocated in order to Planning (DA), Building (BA) and Plumbing (PA) applications. This may mean that planning numbers are not sequential.

**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 4 Planner's Information Report – February 2018, provided by West Tamar Council.

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS:**

Simple Majority

**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Planner's Information Report – February 2018 be received.

**DECISION:**

**54.03.2018 Moved:** Cr K Stockton    **Seconded:** Cr G Willis

That the Planner's Information Report – February 2018 be received.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)**

**For:** Mayor Carol Cox, Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham, Cr Chris Rhodes, Cr Peter Rhodes, Cr Ken Stockton, Cr David Williams and Cr Gerald Willis.

*Cr G Willis declared an interest in Item B1 and left the meeting at 1.24pm.*

<b>B. GOVERNANCE</b>
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**Item B1: Flinders Island Tourism & Business Incorporated Update Reports**

<b>ACTION</b>	<b>Decision</b>
<b>PROPONENT</b>	Council Officer
<b>OFFICER</b>	Bill Boehm, General Manager
<b>FILE REFERENCE</b>	CSV/1704
<b>ASSOCIATED PAPERS</b>	<i>Annexure 5: Flinders Island Destination Action Plan Update 2018</i> <i>Annexure 6: Flinders Island Destination Action Plan 2016-2019 - March 2017</i> <i>Annexure 7: FITBI Update Report to Council May to July 2017</i> <i>Annexure 8: FITBI 2017 Annual Report</i> <i>Annexure 9: FITBI Update Report to Council - March 2018</i>

**INTRODUCTION:**

Flinders Island Tourism and Business Incorporated (FITBI) operates a developing tourism and business association that not only services and supports member businesses but also many other businesses, organisations and the wider community. Many of its activities also impact and form part of Council's Strategic Directions as articulated through Council's Annual Business Plans. In some instances, Council has also provided funding to FITBI to undertake specific projects.

Council has an obvious important partnership with FITBI, with representatives meeting regularly with Council staff as well as from time to time with Council at Council Workshops. In part this is to ensure it meets Council's funding requirements but to also highlight important business development activities that FITBI is pursuing.

To ensure a transparent reporting process, it is considered important that from time to time reports from FITBI are formally received and noted by Council. Where applicable recommendations for Council will be considered.

This report provides a formal update of previous work and reports that have significance to Council's Strategic and Annual Business Plans and to the general development of the Community.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL INFORMATION:**

March 2017 Destination Action Plan Inclusion on Council Website

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL DISCUSSION:**

6 July 2017 Council Workshop  
1 March 2018 Council Workshop

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL DECISION:**

14 July 2016 170.07.2016

**OFFICER'S REPORT:**

The following reports and information represent the latest update from FITBI.  
FITBI Reports

- Flinders Island Destination Action Plan Update 2018
- Flinders Island Destination Action Plan 2016-2019 – March 2017
- FITBI Update Report to Council May to July 2017
- FITBI 2017 Annual Report
- FITBI Update Report to Council – March 2018

#### Café in the North Project

In the latest report to Council, FITBI highlighted progress on the Café in the North Project. Essentially FITBI has supported an application arising from the Destination Action Plan (DAP) for funding under the Regional Jobs and Investment Packages (RJIP) to re-establish a café in the Killiecrankie Community. It was realised that such a project would most likely only be possible if external funding was obtained and that the project was run through a not-for-profit community association.

FITBI is pleased that this application has been successful and has attached an updated “Briefing Paper” with their report to explain in more detail the project and way forward. In this they have indicated the desirability of having a Site Selection Committee formed to manage the process of identifying and selecting a site. Suggested representatives include the following:

- Council Staff- Bill Boehm and Robyn Cox
- Councillors - 1 member as nominated by Council or as otherwise determined
- FITBI - Mick Grimshaw, President
- DAP - Michael Buck, Chair of DAP Leadership Group and Andrew Thompson, member and building designer. Andrew has yet to be invited and accept an invitation to join the Committee.
- Killiecrankie Community - 2 members selected from the Community
- Project Manager - Ian James

From Council’s perspective there is no issue with being of assistance as the Committee is discharged with recommending potential sites. Any final decision to select would ultimately be for FITBI to decide. If FITBI then, at some point in the future, later requests some form of Council assistance then this would be a separate decision for the Council. In these circumstances, unless the Council representative has a financial interest, there would be no pecuniary interest and minimal conflict of interest if any.

FITBI’s initiative to support the Café to the North Project leading to the substantial grant funding is highly commendable. Notwithstanding the potential difficulties in bringing the project to fruition, Council being represented on the Site Selection Committee as requested will be seen as a positive contribution to the project but also that Council is kept well informed.

#### **STATUTORY REQUIREMENT:**

*Local Government Act 1993*

#### **POLICY/STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:**

1. Population Growth
  - 1.2 Increase "the working age" population.

1.2.1 Services and activities for young people that also aim to attract and retain young families to the Islands.

1.3 Value-add to local commodities.

1.3.3 Promote Flinders Island as a high-quality food producing region with a clean, green image.

1.3.5 A strong Flinders Island Brand that underpins growth and development of local commodities.

1.4 Foster and support entrepreneurial activity.

1.4.2 Build local entrepreneurial capability.

1.4.4 Employment opportunities are enhanced through development of projects and initiatives with education service providers and employers.

1.4.5 Tourism and development is promoted through a focus on high quality food production, niche enterprises and clean, green image and sustainable farming practices associated with Flinders Island.

5. Liveability

5.2 Support cultural activities that foster social engagement and emotional wellbeing and provide opportunities for creative expression.

5.2.2 Community events and activities are supported, encouraged and delivered.

5.2.1 Arts and cultural activities are encouraged and supported.

#### **BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil. Any potential budget implications that may or may not arise would be considered on their merits at a later date.

#### **RISK/LIABILITY:**

Nil. There may be some loss of reputation if Council declined to be involved on FITBI's Site Selection Committee as it would send an adverse message to the Australian Government and the Community that Council was not supporting this community project.

#### **VOTING REQUIREMENTS:**

Simple Majority

#### **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:**

1. That Council receives and notes the following update reports from Flinders Island Tourism and Business Incorporated (FITBI):

- Flinders Island Destination Action Plan Update 2018
- Flinders Island Destination Action Plan 2016-2019 – March 2017;
- FITBI Update Report to Council May to July 2017;
- FITBI 2017 Annual Report; and
- FITBI Update Report to Council – March 2018.

2. That Council agrees to FITBI's request to appoint a Councillor to be a representative on the Café in the North Site Selection Committee formed to manage the process of identifying and selecting a suitable site.

*Note: If point 2 is resolved as recommended the Council will also need to appoint a Councillor representative.*

#### **DECISION:**

**55.03.2018 Moved:** Cr D Williams      **Seconded:** Deputy Mayor M Cobham

1. That Council receives and notes the following update reports from Flinders Island Tourism and Business Incorporated (FITBI):
  - Flinders Island Destination Action Plan Update 2018
  - Flinders Island Destination Action Plan 2016-2019 – March 2017;
  - FITBI Update Report to Council May to July 2017;
  - FITBI 2017 Annual Report; and
  - FITBI Update Report to Council – March 2018.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)**

**For:** Mayor Carol Cox, Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham, Cr Chris Rhodes, Cr Peter Rhodes, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr David Williams.

**56.03.2018 Moved:** Cr D Williams    **Seconded:** Cr K Stockton  
That Council does not appoint any representatives to the site selection committee.

**CARRIED (5-1)**

**For:** Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham, Cr Chris Rhodes, Cr Peter Rhodes, Cr Ken Stockton and Cr David Williams.

**Against:** Mayor Carol Cox.

*Cr Gerald Willis returned to the meeting at 1.31pm.*

Item B2: Councillor Resolution Report

<b>ACTION</b>	<b>Information</b>
<b>PROPONENT</b>	Council Officer
<b>OFFICER</b>	Bill Boehm, General Manager
<b>FILE REFERENCE</b>	COU/0600
<b>ASSOCIATED PAPERS</b>	<i>Annexure 10: Councillor Resolution Report March 2018</i>

**INTRODUCTION:**

This report identifies the actions taken and actual costs associated with implementing resolutions passed by elected members up to March 2018.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

The report is presented on a monthly basis.

**OFFICER'S REPORT:**

Please read Annexure 10 – Councillor Resolution Report March 2018.

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS:**

Simple Majority

**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Councillor Resolution Report March 2018 be noted.

**DECISION:**

**57.03.2018 Moved:** Deputy Mayor M Cobham      **Seconded:** Cr D Williams

That the Councillor Resolution Report March 2018 be noted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)**

**For:** Mayor Carol Cox, Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham, Cr Chris Rhodes, Cr Peter Rhodes, Cr Ken Stockton, Cr David Williams and Cr Gerald Willis.

***Repeat of Councillors' Questions Without Notice Question 3: Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham***

Can the General Manager provide an update on the Badger Corner boat ramp upgrade re the Crown Land transfer and MAST application progress?

***General Manager's Response:***

This project has been allocated to Jacci Viney to undertake. The Crown transfer is going well and we have spoken to MAST about application requirements. Communications with an engineer re: preliminary drawings have begun and he himself has started communications with MAST. Rob Holloway has been working with the Badger Corner Community to develop a statement to be included in the application. Planning to reach the application deadline of 31 March.

***Repeat of Councillors' Questions Without Notice Question 2: Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham***

Can the General Manager confirm that the lease and insurance have been finalised for the Whitemark Community Gym facility?

***General Manager's Response***

The lease is with the Lions Club and we are waiting for them to come back to us. The insurance is yet to be confirmed.

***Cr David Williams asked:***

Has the ownership of the equipment at the gym been sorted out?

***General Manager's Response:***

In regard to the equipment in the Gym, ownership has been clarified and we are currently trying to determine what extra equipment needs to be purchased.

*Mayor Cox called for a break in the meeting at 1.50pm and resumed the meeting at 1.55pm.*

*Bill Boehm, General Manager, Brian Barnewall, Works & Services Manager and Jacci Viney, Development Services Coordinator left the meeting at 1.50pm.*

**C. CLOSED COUNCIL**

**Item C1: Closed Council Item**

<b>ACTION</b>	<b>Decision</b>
<b>PROPONENT</b>	Cr Gerald Willis, Chair General Manager's Performance Review Committee
<b>OFFICER</b>	Not applicable
<b>FILE REFERENCE</b>	PER/1500
<b>ASSOCIATED PAPERS</b>	<i>Annexures 11 - 16: For Elected Members only</i>

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

58.03.2017 23 March 2017 (closed council)

**REASON FOR CLOSED COUNCIL:**

Item C1 General Manager's Performance Review is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 15(2) (a) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

Absolute Majority

**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council moves into Closed Council.

**DECISION:**

**58.03.2018 Moved:** Cr P Rhodes **Seconded:** Cr C Rhodes

That Council moves into Closed Council.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)**

**For:** Mayor Carol Cox, Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham, Cr Chris Rhodes, Cr Peter Rhodes, Cr Ken Stockton, Cr David Williams and Cr Gerald Willis.

*Council moved into Closed Session at 1.56pm*

*Council moved out of Closed Session at 2.17pm*

**CONFIDENTIALITY REQUIREMENT:**

**63.03.2018 Moved:** Deputy Mayor M Cobham **Seconded:** Cr P Rhodes

The discussions held and decisions made remain in closed council with the exception that it be noted that Council approved the process for the 2017 GM review and development of Key Performance Indicators and assessment tools for 2018.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)**

**For:** Mayor Carol Cox, Deputy Mayor Marc Cobham, Cr Chris Rhodes, Cr Peter Rhodes, Cr Ken Stockton, Cr David Williams and Cr Gerald Willis.

**Meeting Closed 2.18pm**