



MAYOR'S REPORT

At the July Ordinary Council Meeting, Councillors adopted the **Draft 2021-2031 Strategic Plan – revised July 2023** and allowed it to lay on the table for inspection, consideration and comment until the 8th August. The review has involved engaging with the community through several means to ensure that we, as a Council, are heading in the right direction.

It is also an opportunity for newly elected Councillors to participate in the process and contribute their unique perspectives and ideas.

From the Strategic Plan, Councillors also reviewed our Priority Projects and made a few changes.

Our Priority Projects – essentially a wish list of projects that we are unable to fully fund ourselves, now includes:

- Implement an island-based, integrated, multi-faceted waste management solution.
- Reconstruct and seal the remainder of Palana Road then transfer ownership to the State Government extending the current state road to form the main transport backbone for Flinders Island.
- Scope with TasWater wastewater treatment for the whole of Flinders Island.
- Construct a veterinary clinic on Flinders Island.
- Upgrade the airport runways and associated infrastructure to Civil Aviation Safety Authority requirements and in line with the Long-Term Asset Management Plan.
- Develop long-term residential accommodation for rental and purchase.

- Advocate for the provision of reliable childcare and early childhood education facility and services.

The submission period for the Future of Local Government review has now closed, but there is still an opportunity to have your say, or re-state your case.

There is a community session being held as part of the hearings process. On Monday, 14th August, 5:30pm, members from across the North-East Catchment are able to address the board directly (through Zoom).

We are not sure if there will be any further opportunities to take part after this session. If you would like to speak to the board, then please register through their website (<https://engage.futurelocal.tas.gov.au/community-hearing-registration>) or get in contact with me and I can help your register.

Even though the government has assured us that there won't be any forced amalgamations, it remains critically important for everyone to voice their opinions.

Rachel Summers
Mayor



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WHITEMARK TIP – OPENING HOURS

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

2023 DOG REGISTRATIONS

Please call council reception on 6359 5001 to make a payment to renew your dog registration.



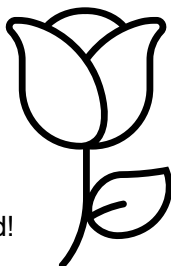
If your dog is deceased, changed owner, is a new member of your family, or is currently unregistered, please drop by the council office to complete a form.

In compliance with Council's regulations on unregistered dogs, it is essential your dogs are promptly registered. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter!

ROSE GARDEN PRUNING DAY

A special thanks to Jan Lees, Sandy Downing and Janet Toonen for joining in with Council staff, in the annual pruning of the roses event.

Your presence was a gift indeed!
"Thanks a Bunch"



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 on:

Wednesday 23 August 2023 commencing at 1pm.

Public Question Time will be held between 1:00 – 1:30pm. Members of the public are invited to attend.

The Agenda will be available for perusal from Friday 18 August 2023 on the Council Website www.flinders.tas.gov.au and at the Council Office.

**Warren Groves
General Manager**



REVISED STRATEGIC PLAN 2021 – 2031

'The Flinders Council Strategic Plan is built upon a clear vision for the future we aspire to create together. It outlines a set of strategic goals encompassing key focus areas and areas of opportunity within our community and will guide our decision-making into the future.'

Council resolved at the 26 July 2023 Ordinary Council Meeting to adopt the following document, **Draft 2021 – 2031 Strategic Plan – revised July.**

This document will lie on the table for public inspection, consideration and comment until 8th August 2023. This is available to download from the Council Website <https://www.flinders.tas.gov.au/strategic-plan> and hardcopies are available from the Council Office.

Should you wish to make comment on the Draft Strategic Plan 2021 - 2031, please do so by addressing relative correspondence to:

**Warren Groves
General Manager**



CALL FOR COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE

Nominations from the public are called for the position of **Community Representative** on the **Whitemark Community Gym Special Committee of Council.**

The Committee consists of council and community representatives and exists to support, assist and advise in the management and operation of the Whitemark Community Gym.

Nominations can be sent to Governance:

**Flinders Council
PO Box 40, Whitemark TAS 7255**

Or via email to governance@flinders.tas.gov.au

The nomination period will remain open until Council receives sufficient nominations.

**Rachel Summers
Chair | Whitemark Community Gym Special Committee**