



CITY OF HOBART

# **MINUTES**

## **Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting**

**Open Portion**

**Thursday, 16 January 2020 at 5:17 pm**

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**Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting (Open Portion) held on Thursday,  
16 January 2020 at 5:17 pm in the Lady Osborne Room, Town Hall.**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Briscoe (Chairman)  
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet  
Thomas  
Ewin  
Sherlock

**NON-MEMBERS**

Lord Mayor Reynolds  
Zucco  
Sexton  
Harvey  
Behrakis  
Dutta

**PRESENT:** Alderman J R Briscoe (Chairman), the Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor H Burnet, Alderman D C Thomas, Councillor H Ewin and the Lord Mayor Councillor A M Reynolds.

The Lord Mayor was co-opted to the Committee.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor Z Sherlock.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE:** Nil.

**1. CO-OPTION OF A COMMITTEE MEMBER IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY**

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DEPUTY LORD MAYOR BURNET

That the Lord Mayor be co-opted to the Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

Briscoe  
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet  
Thomas  
Ewin

NOES

**2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

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DEPUTY LORD MAYOR BURNET

The minutes of the Open Portion of the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting held on [Thursday, 5 December 2019](#), be confirmed as an accurate record.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Briscoe  
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet  
Thomas  
Ewin  
Lord Mayor Reynolds

The minutes were signed.

**3. CONSIDERATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS**

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Ref: Part 2, Regulation 8(6) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*.

**Recommendation**

That the Committee resolve to deal with any supplementary items not appearing on the agenda, as reported by the General Manager.

No supplementary items were received.

**4. INDICATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

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Ref: Part 2, Regulation 8(7) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*.

Members of the Committee are requested to indicate where they may have any pecuniary or conflicts of interest in respect to any matter appearing on the agenda, or any supplementary item to the agenda, which the Committee has resolved to deal with.

No interest was indicated.

**5. TRANSFER OF AGENDA ITEMS**

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Regulation 15 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*.

A Committee may close a part of a meeting to the public where a matter to be discussed falls within 15(2) of the above regulations.

In the event that the Committee transfer an item to the closed portion, the reasons for doing so should be stated.

Are there any items which should be transferred from this agenda to the closed portion of the agenda, or from the closed to the open portion of the agenda?

No items were transferred.

## 6. REPORTS

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### 6.1 Garrington Park - Installation of New Barbeque Facilities File Ref: F19/149391

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THOMAS

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Parks and Reserves Program Officer, the Manager Parks and Recreation and the Director City Amenity of 8 January 2020, be adopted, as amended by an additional sub-clause to read as follows:

- (i) *The Draft Concept Plan incorporate bicycle parking infrastructure within the site.*

MOTION CARRIED

#### VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Briscoe  
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet  
Thomas  
Ewin  
Lord Mayor Reynolds

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:**

- That:
1. The Draft Concept Plan for the development of a barbeque and shelter facility at Garrington Park, New Town, marked as Attachment A to item 6.1 of the Open Parks and Recreation Committee agenda of 16 January 2020, be endorsed for public release to enable community engagement to be undertaken.
    - (i) The Draft Concept Plan incorporate bicycle parking infrastructure within the site.
  2. A further report be provided following completion of the community engagement process.

**Delegation: Council**

**6.2 Bushland Track Naming Confirmation**  
**File Ref: F19/161654**

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THOMAS

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Program Leader Bushland Recreation, the Manager Bushland and the Director City Amenity of 10 January 2020, be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Briscoe  
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet  
Thomas  
Ewin  
Lord Mayor Reynolds

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:**

That: 1. The following tracks have names assigned to them as follows:

#	RESERVE	TRACK	PROPOSED NAME	LOCATION
2	Queens Domain	Domain Athletics Centre Area	Bandicoot Track	Track on either side of Domain Athletic Centre
3	Queens Domain	Grassland Gully Tracks	Grassland Gully Track	Track through Grassland Gully to Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens.
4	Queens Domain	Pinetum Tracks	Pinetum Track	Pinetum Track naming expanded to include a longer track section through the old Pinetum.
6	Bicentennial Park	Churchill Avenue to Nelson Road	Lambert Rivulet Track	Route from Lambert Ave through to Nelson Road becomes a single named track.
7	Bicentennial Park	Churchill Ave to Mt Nelson Signal Station	Signal Station Track	Main route from Sandy Bay to Mt Nelson Signal Station.
8	Bicentennial Park	Lambert Avenue to Churchill Avenue	Lambert Rivulet Track	As per Track 6, minor update from currently ambiguous 'Rivulet Track' naming.
12	Waterworks	Gentle Annie Falls access	Gentle Annie Falls Track	Track through gully and up to Gentle Annie Falls site.
14	Knocklofty	Mt Stuart Track to Northern Access FT	Woodmans Track	Extend to include section from Northern Access FT to Yellow Hippo Track. Currently not well signed and quite a narrow track, but through a nice area.

15	Knocklofty	Salvator Track to Excels FT	Salvator Rosa Glen Track	Continue Salvator Rose Glen Creek Track naming on upper section, but dropping the 'Creek' from the name.
16	Knocklofty	Reservoir to Fielding Drive	Brickworks Track	Reflecting Pool is in this area, and old quarry faces. Historic link to old Brickworks site, in the quarry below.
17	McRobies Gully	Lower Slides Track	McRobies Gully Track	Heritage track name as advised by Open Space Planning Team & Senior Cultural Heritage Officer.
18	McRobies Gully	Slides Connector	Jurassic Shark	New mountain-bike focused track, with naming style to reflect end user group

2. Subject to their endorsement by the Council, the names will be submitted to the Nomenclature Board of Tasmania for ratification.

**Delegation: Council**

### **6.3 Tasmanian Hockey Centre - Request for Extension of Lease File Ref: F19/164280**

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THOMAS

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Program Leader Recreation and Projects, the Manager Parks and Recreation and the Director City Amenity of 8 January 2020, be adopted, as amended by an additional clause to read as follows:

4. *An appropriate clause be incorporated within the lease agreement with Hockey Tasmania, providing the Council with the ability to amend the footprint of the leased area, if required in the future.*

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

Briscoe  
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet  
Thomas  
Ewin  
Lord Mayor Reynolds

NOES

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:**

- That:
1. In-principle approval for a ten (10) year lease extension with a further ten (10) year option to Hockey Tasmania for a lease over the Tasmanian Hockey Centre be granted, from the expiry of their current lease in 2029, at a nominal annual rental.
    - (i) Should a new lease be approved, the value of the reduced rental to the Association be recorded in the City's Annual Report in accordance with the Council Policy 'Grants and Benefits Disclosure'.
  2. Community engagement be undertaken pursuant to Sections 178 and 179 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.
    - (i) Upon conclusion of the community engagement process, should no objections be received, the General Manager be authorised to finalise the terms and conditions of the lease; or alternatively;
    - (ii) Should objections be received, a further report be provided to the Council on the matter.
  3. A sub-lease to Telstra matching the same extended lease period be approved.
  4. An appropriate clause be incorporated within the lease agreement with Hockey Tasmania, providing the Council with the ability to amend the footprint of the leased area, if required in the future.

**Delegation: Council**

**7. MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**

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**7.1 Ember Attack Strategy**  
**File Ref: F20/4270**

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LORD MAYOR REYNOLDS

That in accordance with Council's policy, the following Notice of Motion which was adopted by the Parks and Recreation Committee at its meeting of 16 January 2020, be considered by the Council.

MOTION CARRIED



VOTING RECORD

AYES

Briscoe  
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet  
Thomas  
Ewin  
Lord Mayor Reynolds

NOES

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:**

**Motion:**

“That Council requests a report on whether there is value in the city developing an ‘Ember Attack Strategy’ for Hobart.”

**Rationale:**

“This summer has seen extraordinary loss of life, property and nature as a result of the devastating bushfires in 4 states of Australia.

One of the features of the fires was the damage caused to property from ember attack which often occurred several kilometres away from the fire front and from the bushland interface. Embers are burning pieces of leaves, twigs and bark that the wind carries ahead of the fire, causing new ‘spot fires’ to ignite.

The recent experience in NSW found that embers travel up to 2kms ahead of the fire front on ‘Very High’ fire danger rated days and up to 10 km ahead of the fire front on ‘Catastrophic’ fire rated days.

Properties in close proximity to bushland are required to meet certain standards based on the assumption that the majority of structure loss is due to radiant heat exposure. However recent research has found that the loss of property as a result of ember attack may be more significant.

Cities and communities, like Hobart that sit in a bushland landscape may be extremely vulnerable to ember attack in certain conditions. It is not inconceivable that all Hobart properties are vulnerable to ember attack in certain conditions, including buildings in the Central Business District.

Given this, I believe it is prudent for the City of Hobart to develop an *Ember Attack Strategy* which may include the following components:

- Seeking advice from the Bureau of Meteorology and fire scientists to understand and predict the potential reach of embers into Hobart under different modelled conditions (wind, temperature, fire front location),
- Consider community education and other initiatives that may build the awareness and resilience of Hobart property owners to the potential of ember attack.”

**The General Manager reports:**

“In line with the Council’s policy in relation to Notices of Motion, I advise that the matter is considered to be within the jurisdiction of the Hobart City Council as it relates to Council’s emergency management functions.”

**Delegation: Council**

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**8. COMMITTEE ACTION STATUS REPORT**

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**8.1 Committee Actions - Status Report**  
**File Ref: F20/3220**

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THOMAS

That the information be received and noted.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Briscoe  
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet  
Thomas  
Ewin  
Lord Mayor Reynolds

**Delegation: Committee**

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**9. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

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Section 29 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*.  
File Ref: 13-1-10

**9.1 Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet - Bushfire Mitigation**  
**File Ref: 13-1-10**

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Question: Could the Director please advise what proportion of the City’s budget is attributed to bushfire management, and could the Director advise the total expenditure each of the last three financial years?

Answer: The Director City Amenity took the question on notice.

**9.2 Lord Mayor Reynolds - Hazard Reduction Burns on kunanyi /  
Mount Wellington**  
**File Ref: 13-1-10**

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Question: Queries have been received asking why hazard reduction burns have not been undertaken in the vicinity of the pinnacle of kunanyi / Mount Wellington. Could the Director please advise if these burns are under the jurisdiction of the Tasmania Fire Service and if so could you please advise of their response to why the hazard reduction burns in this vicinity have not been undertaken? Also, could the Director please advise if there are any other potential methods for hazard reduction?

Answer: The Director City Amenity took the question on notice.

**9.3 Alderman Briscoe - Rose Garden Bridge**  
**File Ref: 13-1-10**

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Question: Could the Director please provide an update in relation to the Rose Garden Bridge and when it is expected for the official opening of the bridge to be undertaken?

Answer: The Director City Amenity took the question on notice for the Director City Planning.

**10. CLOSED PORTION OF THE MEETING**

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THOMAS

That the Committee resolve by majority that the meeting be closed to the public pursuant to regulation 15(1) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* because the items included on the closed agenda contain the following matters:

- Renewal of a commercial lease; and
- Information of a confidential nature.

The following items were discussed: -

- Item No. 1 Minutes of the last meeting of the Closed Portion of the Committee Meeting
- Item No. 2 Consideration of supplementary items to the agenda
- Item No. 3 Indications of pecuniary and conflicts of interest
- Item No. 4 Reports
- Item No. 4.1 The Springs, kunanyi / Mount Wellington - Lost Freight Cafe - Lease Renewal  
LG(MP)R 15(2)(f)
- Item No. 4.2 North Hobart Oval - Request to Name New Coaches Facilities  
LG(MP)R 15(2)(g)
- Item No. 5 Committee Action Status Report
- Item No. 5.1 Committee Actions - Status Report  
LG(MP)R 15(2)(g)
- Item No. 6 Responses to Questions Without Notice
- Item No. 6.1 Swan Street Park  
LG(MP)R 15(2)(g)
- Item No. 6.2 Swan Street Toilets  
LG(MP)R 15(2)(g)
- Item No. 7 Questions Without Notice

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Briscoe  
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet  
Thomas  
Ewin  
Lord Mayor Reynolds

**Delegation: Committee**

There being no further business the open portion of the meeting closed at 5:55 pm.

TAKEN AS READ AND SIGNED AS  
A CORRECT RECORD THIS  
13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020.

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**CHAIRMAN**