



CITY OF HOBART

MINUTES

Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting

Open Portion

Thursday, 15 October 2020 at 5:15 pm

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Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting (Open Portion) held on Thursday, 15 October 2020 at 5:15 pm.

This meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee is held in accordance with a Notice issued by the Premier on 3 April 2020 under section 18 of the COVID-19 Disease Emergency (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2020.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Briscoe (Chairman)
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet
Thomas
Ewin
Sherlock

NON-MEMBERS

Lord Mayor Reynolds
Zucco
Sexton
Harvey
Behrakis
Dutta
Coats

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

APOLOGIES: Councillor Z Sherlock.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Nil.

The Lord Mayor was co-opted to the Committee.

Councillor Ewin joined the meeting at 5:20 pm during the discussion of item 6.1.

Alderman Thomas retired from the meeting at 5:57 pm during the discussion of item 6.2 and was not present for items 6.3 to 10.

Councillor Harvey was co-opted to the Committee from item 6.2.

Alderman Behrakis joined the meeting at 6:12 pm, during the discussion of item 6.3.

Councillor Ewin retired from the meeting at 6:14 pm and was not present for items 6.3 to 10.

Alderman Behrakis was co-oped to the Committee for items 6.4 to 10.

Alderman Briscoe (Chairman) retired from the meeting at 6:46 pm, part way through item 9.

Alderman Behrakis assumed the chair for the remainder of item 9 and item 10.

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

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

NOES

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

LORD MAYOR REYNOLDS

The minutes of the Open Portion of the Special Parks and Recreation Committee meeting held on [Monday, 7 September 2020](#) and the Open Portion of the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting held on [Thursday, 10 September 2020](#), be confirmed as an accurate record.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

Briscoe
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet
Thomas
Lord Mayor Reynolds

NOES

The minutes were signed.

3. CONSIDERATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

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

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

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

6.1 Consumption / Sale of Alcohol in Wellington Park File Ref: F20/79552

THOMAS

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Program Leader Bushland Recreation, the Manager Bushland and the Director City Amenity of 8 October 2020, be adopted as amended by the inclusion of the following clause:

2. *An Elected Member briefing be convened at the appropriate time to discuss the consumption of alcohol in Council's public open spaces.*
 - (i) *An invitation be extended to Dr Adrian Reynolds together with Alison Lai to conduct this briefing in the first instance.*

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Briscoe
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet
Thomas
Lord Mayor Reynolds

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:

- That: 1. The Council write to the Fern Tree Community Association and provide the following advice in respect to the consumption and sale of alcohol in Wellington Park:
- (i) The sale of alcohol is more appropriately considered through the assessment process when any development application that would include the supply and/or sale of alcohol in Wellington Park, is made.
 - (ii) The sale of alcohol is a permitted use under the Wellington Park Management Plan at specified precincts including the Pinnacle and the Springs.
2. An Elected Member briefing be convened at the appropriate time to discuss the consumption of alcohol in Council's public open spaces.
 - (i) An invitation be extended to Dr Adrian Reynolds together with Alison Lai to provide this briefing in the first instance.

Delegation: Council

DEPUTY LORD MAYOR BURNET

That Councillor Harvey be co-opted to the Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

Briscoe
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet
Ewin
Lord Mayor Reynolds

NOES

6.2 Mountain Bike Network Plan for the Foothills of kunanyi/ Mount Wellington - Results of Community Engagement
File Ref: F20/81102

PROCEDURAL MOTION

DEPUTY LORD MAYOR BURNET

That the item be deferred to allow Elected Members time to consider the documentation submitted by the Tasmanian Conservation Trust in relation to the inadequacy of consultation in regards to the proposed new mountain bike tracks.

PROCEDURAL MOTION LOST

VOTING RECORD

AYES

Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet

NOES

Briscoe
Ewin
Lord Mayor Reynolds
Harvey

EWIN

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Program Officer Park Planning, the Program Leader Bushland Recreation, the Manager Bushland and the Director City Amenity of 8 October 2020, be adopted as amended by the insertion of the following words after the word *Plan* in Clause 2:

noting that this will include a detailed environmental assessment (as per the City of Hobart Biodiversity Action Plan) of each of the locations identified for the tracks, as or when they are to be developed.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Briscoe
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet
Ewin
Lord Mayor Reynolds
Harvey

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:

- That: 1. The 'Riding the Mountain - A Plan for Improved Mountain Bike Riding in the Foothills of kunanyi/ Mount Wellington' marked as Attachment A to item 6.2 of the Open Parks and Recreation Committee agenda of 15 October 2020, be approved.
2. The General Manager be authorised to secure any statutory approvals required for the implementation of the Plan, noting that this will include a detailed environmental assessment (as per the City of Hobart Biodiversity Action Plan) of each of the locations identified for the tracks, as or when they are to be developed.
3. The City seek to secure external grant funding for the projects to proceed.
4. The Plan be made publicly available through the City's website and other platforms.

Delegation: Council

**6.3 City to Gardens Way Connectivity and Wayfinding Plan - Results of Community Engagement and Endorsement of Final Plan
File Ref: F20/95578; 2016-0227-02**

LORD MAYOR REYNOLDS

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Program Officer Park Planning, Manager Bushland and Director City Amenity of 8 October 2020, be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Briscoe
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet
Lord Mayor Reynolds
Harvey

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:

- That:
1. The City to Gardens Way Connectivity and Wayfinding Plan, marked as Attachment A to item 6.3 of the Open Parks and Recreation Committee agenda of 15 October 2020, be approved.
 2. The General Manager be authorised to secure any statutory approvals required for the implementation of the Plan.
 3. The City seek to secure external grant funding for the projects to proceed.
 4. The Plan be made publicly available through the City's website and other platforms.

Delegation: Council

DEPUTY LORD MAYOR BURNET

That Alderman Behrakis be co-opted to the Committee for items 6.4 to 10.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Briscoe
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet
Lord Mayor Reynolds
Harvey

6.4 Tolmans Hill Park, Tolmans Hill - Proposed Public Toilets, BBQ, Shelter Facilities - Community Consultation Outcomes
File Ref: F20/77467

DEPUTY LORD MAYOR BURNET

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Parks Projects Officer, the Manager Parks and Recreation and the Director City Amenity of 8 October 2020, be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Briscoe
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet
Lord Mayor Reynolds
Harvey
Behrakis

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:

- That: 1. The concept plans for the development of new public toilets and barbecue facilities at Tolmans Hill Park, Tolmans Hill, marked as Attachment A to item 6.5 of the Open Parks and Recreation Committee agenda of 15 October 2020, be approved.
2. The General Manager be authorised to secure any statutory approvals required for the project.
3. The City seek to secure external grant funding for the project to proceed.
4. Should the development works proceed, an increase of \$10,000 per annum be included in the Parks and Reserves operating budget to cover associated cleaning, maintenance and operational costs for the facilities.
5. Residents and stakeholders be advised of the Council's decision.

Delegation: Council

6.5 Provision of Showers in Public Toilet Developments
File Ref: F20/49783

HARVEY

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Program Leader Projects and Assets, the Manager Parks and Recreation and the Director City Amenity of 8 October 2020, be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES	NOES
Briscoe Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet Lord Mayor Reynolds Harvey Behrakis	

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:

- That: 1. The City continue to explore opportunities to provide additional public showering facilities across the city, in support of the implementation of the City's key strategies:
- (i) Public Toilet Strategy 2015-2025;
 - (ii) Social Inclusion Strategy; and
 - (iii) Housing and Homelessness Strategy.
2. The City continue to engage and partner with its external community support providers to improve accessibility to public showering facilities to the community.

Delegation: Council

**6.6 Established Pest Animals and Weeds Management Pipeline Program – Advancing Pest Animal and Weed Control Solutions - City Support
File Ref: F20/105411**

HARVEY

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Manager Bushland and the Director City Amenity of 8 October 2020, be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES	NOES
Briscoe Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet Lord Mayor Reynolds Harvey Behrakis	

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:

That approval be provided for the City to participate in a trial proposed by the not-for-profit company Thylation R&D, with the goal of seeking to stem the ongoing loss of biodiversity in urban areas caused by cats (domestic, stray and feral) that remain a major threat to native fauna.

- (i) In-kind support be provided by City using existing resourcing wholly congruent with the purpose of the City's biodiversity program, and the goals of the City's Biodiversity Action Plan.

Delegation: Council

6.7 13 Marine Terrace, Battery Point - Proposal to Install Boat-Slip Track/Rails Across City Foreshore Land
File Ref: F20/104130

HARVEY

That the Council not provide in-principle approval for a licence over the City's foreshore land adjoining 13 Marine Terrace, Battery Point to accommodate the installation of boat-slip tracks as the proposal could unduly alienate public access across the land acquired by the Council for public open space.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Briscoe
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet
Lord Mayor Reynolds
Harvey

Behrakis

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:

That the Council not provide in-principle approval for a licence over the City's foreshore land adjoining 13 Marine Terrace, Battery Point to accommodate the installation of boat-slip tracks as the proposal could unduly alienate public access across the land acquired by the Council for public open space.

Delegation: Council

7. COMMITTEE ACTION STATUS REPORT

7.1 Committee Actions - Status Report File Ref: F20/107471

LORD MAYOR REYNOLDS

That the information be received and noted.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Briscoe
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet
Lord Mayor Reynolds
Harvey
Behrakis

Delegation: Committee

8. RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Regulation 29(3) *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*.
File Ref: 13-1-10

8.1 Hobart Rivulets - Impact on Flora and Fauna File Ref: F20/101683; 13-1-10

Memorandum of the Director City Amenity of 5 October 2020.

LORD MAYOR REYNOLDS

That the information be received and noted.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Briscoe
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet
Lord Mayor Reynolds
Ewin
Sherlock

Delegation: Committee

9. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

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

9.1 Lord Mayor Reynolds - Private Infrastructure on the Battery Point Foreshore File Ref: 13-1-10

Question: Could the Director please advise if there is any overarching plan and / or strategic plan in relation to the Battery Point foreshore and if there is a limit on how many pieces of private infrastructure the Council would allow to be built in this vicinity?

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

9.2 Alderman Behrakis - Maintenance and Safety of Trees on the Significant Tree Register File Ref: 13-1-10

Question: If a tree which has been listed on the Significant Tree Register is reported to be unsafe by a constituent and requests for it to be trimmed and / or for it to be removed, however the Council deems the tree to be safe, could the Director please advise if the Council would be liable if a tree malfunction occurred?

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

Alderman Briscoe (Chairman) vacated the chair and retired from the meeting.

HARVEY

That Alderman Behrakis chair the meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet
Lord Mayor Reynolds
Harvey
Behrakis

NOES

Alderman Behrakis assumed the chair.

9.3 Alderman Behrakis - Queens Domain Masterplan
File Ref: 13-1-10

- Question: (a). Could the Director please advise how the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted the implementation of the Queens Domain Masterplan?
- (b). In regards to the current tenancies located on the Queens Doman such as the Domain Tennis Centre and the TCA ground, has the current pandemic impacted on the potential creation of masterplans in relation to the footprints of these sites?
- (c) Furthermore, does the Council contribute towards the upgrading of infrastructure in relation to these sites and if so, what is the return to Council?

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

9.4 Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet - Impact on Flora and Fauna in Hobart Rivulets
File Ref: 13-1-10

Question: Could the Director please provide specific information on Sandy Bay, Hobart, Maypole, Brushy Creek and New Town Rivulets including any actual statistics on sampling and the health of the fauna and flora within these rivulets?

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

9.5 Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet - Gender Parity Outdoor Workforce
File Ref: 13-1-10

Question: I ask this question on behalf of Councillor Ewin:
At a recent site tour of the South Hobart depot, I spoke directly with staff who said there is only one woman employed at the site. I understand the Director is acutely aware of this imbalance, but I would like to know how can we be more proactive about working towards gender parity in our outdoor workforce.

1. Is there a formal strategy for this?
2. If not, what is the process for developing one?

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

10. CLOSED PORTION OF THE MEETING

HARVEY

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:

- Leasing of Council land.

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	Committee Action Status Report
Item No. 4.1	Committee Actions - Status Report LG(MP)R 15(2)(d) and (f)
Item No. 5	Responses to Questions Without Notice
Item No. 5.1	Leasing of Council Land LG(MP)R 15(2)(f)
Item No. 6	Questions Without Notice

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Behrakis
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet
Lord Mayor Reynolds
Harvey

Delegation: Committee

Alderman Behrakis (Acting Chairman) vacated the chair.

BEHRAKIS

That Alderman Harvey chair the closed portion of the meeting

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

Behrakis
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet
Lord Mayor Reynolds
Harvey

NOES

There being no further business the open portion of the meeting closed at 6:52 pm.

TAKEN AS READ AND SIGNED AS
A CORRECT RECORD THIS
12TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2020.

CHAIRMAN