

AGENDA

Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting

Open Portion

Thursday, 17 February 2022

at 5:15 pm via Zoom

THE MISSION

Working together to make Hobart a better place for the community.

	THE VALUES
The Council is:	
People	We care about people – our community, our customers and colleagues.
Teamwork	We collaborate both within the organisation and with external stakeholders drawing on skills and expertise for the benefit of our community.
Focus and Direction	We have clear goals and plans to achieve sustainable social, environmental and economic outcomes for the Hobart community.
Creativity and Innovation	We embrace new approaches and continuously improve to achieve better outcomes for our community.
Accountability	We are transparent, work to high ethical and professional standards and are accountable for delivering outcomes for our community.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Business listed on the agenda is to be conducted in the order in which it is set out, unless the committee by simple majority determines otherwise.

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

1.		OPTION OF A COMMITTEE MEMBER IN THE EVENT OF A CANCY	4
2.	COI	NFIRMATION OF MINUTES	4
3.	COI	NSIDERATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS	4
4.	IND	ICATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST	5
5.	TR	ANSFER OF AGENDA ITEMS	5
6.	REF	PORT	6
	6.1	Garrington Park, Lenah Valley - Proposed installation of New Barbeques Facilities update	6
7.	COI	MMITTEE ACTION STATUS REPORT	9
	7.1	Committee Actions - Status Report	9
8.	RES	SPONSES TO QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE	17
	8.2	Weeds Management Street Trees Protection of Bushland	19
9.	QUI	ESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE	23
10.	CLC	DSED PORTION OF THE MEETING	24

Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting (Open Portion) held Thursday, 17 February 2022 at 5:15 pm via Zoom.

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.*

The title Chief Executive Officer is a term of reference for the General Manager as appointed by Council pursuant s.61 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas).

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Apologies:

Alderman Briscoe (Chairman) Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor H Burnet Alderman D C Thomas Councillor J Fox Councillor Dr Z E Sherlock

Leave of Absence: Nil.

NON-MEMBERS

Lord Mayor Councillor A M Reynolds Alderman M Zucco Alderman Dr P T Sexton Councillor W F Harvey Alderman S Behrakis Councillor M S C Dutta Councillor W N S Coats

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

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Open Portion of the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting held on <u>Thursday, 9 December 2021</u>, are submitted for confirming as an accurate record.

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 Chief Executive Officer.

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 conflict 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.

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?

6. **REPORT**

6.1 Garrington Park, Lenah Valley - Proposed installation of New Barbeques Facilities update File Ref: F22/8087

Report of the Program Leader Parks and Reserves, and the Acting Director City Amenity of 8 February 2022.

Delegation: Council

REPORT TITLE: GARRINGTON PARK, LENAH VALLEY - PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF NEW BARBEQUES FACILITIES UPDATE

REPORT PROVIDED BY: Program Leader Parks and Reserves Acting Director City Amenity

1. Report Purpose and Community Benefit

- 1.1. The purpose of this report is to give an update on the proposal to install BBQ and shelter facilities at Garrington Park.
- 1.2. The Council resolved at its meeting of 24 August 2020:
 - That: 1. The proposal to develop BBQ and shelter facilities at Garrington Park, Lenah Valley not progress at this time, due to the lack of majority and strong community support for the proposal.
 - 2. A review of the proposal to install BBQ and shelter facilities at Garrington Park be undertaken in 12 months-time.

2. Report Summary

- 2.1. A review of the proposal to install BBQ and shelter facilities at Garrington Park has been undertaken.
- 2.2. The result of this review is that there have not been any further requests for the installation of facilities or external funding sort to undertake this project.

3. Recommendation

That the proposal to develop BBQ and shelter facilities at Garrington Park, Lenah Valley not progress at this time.

4. Background

- 4.1. The Council endorsed a concept plan for the development of BBQ and shelter facilities at Garrington Park.
- 4.2. It was noted that in January 2020 the estimated cost of this project would be \$140,000.
- 4.3. As a result of community consultation highlighting lack of support for this development, and the City's financial position requiring the need for external funding. It was recommended that this project not proceed.

5. Proposal and Implementation

- 5.1. During a review of this project, it has been noted that there are no documented request for the installation of BBQ and shelter facilities in the past 12 months.
- 5.2. No external funding has been sort for this project.
- 5.3. It is proposed that this project not proceed at this point in time.

6. Strategic Planning and Policy Considerations

6.1. Nil

7. Financial Implications

7.1. Funding Source and Impact on Current Year Operating Result

7.1.1. Nil

7.2. Impact on Future Years' Financial Result

7.2.1. Nil

7.3. Asset Related Implications

7.3.1. Nil

8. Delegation

8.1. The matter is for the Council to determine.

As signatory to this report, I certify that, pursuant to Section 55(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, I hold no interest, as referred to in Section 49 of the Local Government Act 1993, in matters contained in this report.

Peter Kerstan PROGRAM LEADER PARKS AND RESERVES

Date: File Reference: 8 February 2022 F22/8087

John Fisher ACTING DIRECTOR CITY AMENITY

7. COMMITTEE ACTION STATUS REPORT

7.1 Committee Actions - Status Report

A report indicating the status of current decisions is attached for the information of Elected Members.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received and noted.

Delegation: Committee

Attachment A: PRC Status Report OPEN January 2022

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE - STATUS REPORT

OPEN PORTION OF THE MEETING

November 2014 to January 2022

Ref.	Detail	Report / Action	Action Officer	Comments
1	SOLDIERS MEMORIAL AVENUE – MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW Open Council 25/1/2016, item 13 Open Council 23/5/2016, item 18	 A review of the Soldiers Memorial Avenue Management Plan 2004 be undertaken with the development of a new management plan, at an estimated cost \$15,000 to be funded from the Open Space Planning Function. (i) The management plan consider the utilisation of the 'Tree Widows' material for the interpretation and promotion of the Soldiers Memorial Avenue. The Friends of Soldiers Memorial Avenue be advised of the Council's decision. 	Director City Amenity	A revised plan has been provided to FOSMA and a meeting scheduled with the group to discuss the draft. A report will be presented to Council in the coming months.
2	KUNANYI/MOUNT WELLINGTON - ORGAN PIPES Open Council 19/12/2018, item 12 Open Council 19/3/2019, item	 The below report was deferred at the Council meeting on 19 March 2019 to allow an opportunity to discuss with the State Government its level of support for the proposed listing of the eastern face of kunanyi / Mount Wellington onto the National Heritage Register. That a report be prepared to consider the merits or otherwise; (i) Of seeking national heritage listing for the Organ Pipes of kunanyi/Mount Wellington and/or (ii) An extension of the South West World Heritage area to include the Wellington Park; and (iii) The report to also investigate and ascertain who is the correct party to formally make the nomination to seek a national heritage listing or inclusion in the South West World Heritage area. 	Director City Amenity	The Council decision is being actioned with advice sought from the Minister to confirm the State government position on a nomination.

Agenda (Open Portion) Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting - 17/2/2022

Ref.	Detail	Report / Action	Action Officer	Comments
3	REVIEW OF THE DOG MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2014-2018 Open Council 19/9/2019, item	Further discussions be undertaken between Council officers and the Hobart Dog Training Club into the possible promotion of the free dog training classes for new dog ownership in certain circumstances. A review of the dog walking area maps, currently available on the City of Hobart website be undertaken and ascertain if improvements can be implemented to provide a more interactive and user friendly resource for dog owners.	Director City Planning	The Council decision is being actioned.
4	BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE OVER BROOKER AVENUE - PROPOSED NAME 'ROSE GARDEN BRIDGE' Open Council 18/3/2019, item 18 Open Council 19/8/2019, item 16	That 'Rose Garden Bridge' be submitted as the Council's recommended name for the new bicycle and pedestrian bridge across Brooker Avenue, located between Bathurst Street and the University Rose Gardens on the Queens Domain, to the Nomenclature Board of Tasmania, pursuant to the Survey Co- ordination Act 1944 (Tasmania). The City explore ways to commemorate persons and groups of significance with strong connections to the development of the University Rose Gardens, including Kitty Henry and TT Flynn.	Director City Amenity	The Nomenclature Board has accepted the name for the Bridge. The City is in discussions with UTas to integrate the University Gardens with the Rose Gardens and explore the significant people connected with the gardens in order to prepare a naming protocol for the rose beds. This is the subject of the plans for the movement of UTAS to the City and the architects are preparing a draft plan for the required works.

5	REGATTA GROUNDS BUILDINGS - REQUEST FOR LEASE Open Council 17/12/2020, item 21	 That: 1. A lease to the Royal Hobart Regatta Association over two buildings located on the Domain Regatta Ground foreshore (as indicated in paragraph 4.3 of the report marked as item 6.2 of the Open Parks and Recreation Committee agenda of 10 December 2020) for a period of ten (10) years, be approved, subject to no objections being received during the statutory community engagement process required under Sections 178 and 179 of the Local Government Act 1993. (i) Should any objections be received during the community engagement period, a further report will be provided to the Council. 2. The leased area be provided at a nominal annual rent (\$50 per annum) 3. The General Manager be authorised to finalise the terms and conditions of the lease. 	Director City Amenity	Preparation of the lease is progressing.
		 In accordance with the Council Policy 'Grants and Benefits Disclosure' the benefit recognised to the Royal Hobart Regatta Association by way of reduced rental as part of the new lease be disclosed in the City's Annual Report. The lease include a clause that allows the City to re- negotiate the terms and conditions of the lease between the City and the Royal Hobart Regatta Association in relation to the two buildings located on the Domain Regatta Ground foreshore in the event that any development should proceed in that vicinity of the foreshore. 		

6	 That: A lease to the Hobart Football Club over the clubrooms, change rooms and kiosk at TCA Ground, 2 Davies Avenue, Queens Domain for a period of five (5) years, with an option for a further five (5) years, be approved, subject to no objections being received during the statutory community engagement process required under Sections 178 and 179 of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i>.	Director City Amenity	Preparation of the lease is progressing.
7 410 ELIZABETH STREET, NORTH HOBART – NAMING OF SWAN STREET PARK Open CPC 15/3/2021,	That in consultation with the property owner, consideration be given to naming the park (currently known as Swan Street Park).	Director City Amenity	The City is in discussions with the adjoining Church that owns the land but no decision has been made.

8	PETITION - STREET TREE PLANTINGS RUPERT AVENUE, MOUNT STUART Open Council 10/5/2021, item 6 Open Council 21/6/2021, item 19	 That: 1. The City undertake detailed investigations and design work for the potential installation of new street trees within Rupert Avenue, Mount Stuart, involving the following: (i) Local area consultation and engagement; (ii) Determination of potential locations and number of tree plantings, including suitable species selection; (iii) Traffic safety audit and traffic impact assessments; (iv) Impact of on-street parking availability; (v) Cost assessment for the installation of the trees within the road reservation to ensure appropriate tree root treatment and backfilling with structural soil to ensure surface surrounds remain trafficable; and (vi) Prioritisation of any installation to consider: (a) The timing of any potential road works scheduled for the Street. (b) Available funding (that is to be accommodated within the City's existing budget provision for its wider street tree planting program). 2. Elected Members be kept informed of the matter via advice memorand unce 	Director City Amenity	The Council decision is being actioned with draft plans prepared and undergoing assessment.

9	SANDY BAY ROWING CLUB, MARIEVILLE ESPLANADE - REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF LEASE FOOTPRINT Open Council 23/8/2021, Item 17 Open Council 22/11/2021, Item 15	 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 	An extension of the lease footprint to the Sandy Bay Rowing Club over a section of land outside of its premises at Marieville Esplanade, Battery Point (marked as Attachment A to item 6.1 of the Open Parks and Recreation Committee agenda of 12 August 2021), be approved. A letter be sent to the objector of the lease during the community engagement period to advise of Council's decision and to provide advice on appeal rights. The extended lease footprint area be added to the existing lease which, if all lease options are pursued, expires in 2030 under the same terms and conditions as the current lease. The Chief Executive Officer be authorised to finalise the terms and conditions of the lease, including a clause relating to the possible implications due to climate change and ensuring the area isn't used as a car park for the Club outside of its operating times. In accordance with the Council Policy 'Grants and Benefits Disclosure' the benefit recognised to the Sandy Bay Rowing Club by way of reduced rental as part of the amended lease be disclosed in the City's Annual Report. The Club submit a landscaping plan, including furniture design, to the satisfaction of the Director City Amenity, prior to any on-ground improvements being undertaken by the Club.	Director City Amenity	The Council decision is being actioned.

10	CLARE STREET OVAL, NEW TOWN - CHANGE ROOM AND TOILET IMPROVEMENTS Open Council 23/8/2021, Item 18	 That: The Council endorse the proposal to significantly upgrade and enhance the public toilet and change rooms facilities at Clare Street Oval, New Town, as detailed in the report of 6 August 2021 marked as item 6.2 of the Open Parks and Recreation Committee agenda of 12 August 2021. (i) The Council note the City's current asset replacement budget allocation of \$900,000, together with State Government's 'Levelling the Playing Field' grant funding of \$450,000 for the improvement works. The CEO be delegated authority to secure all statutory permits for the development to proceed. 	Director City Amenity	The development application has been lodged.
11	REVIEW OF COUNCIL TREE COMPENSATION POLICY Open Council 6 December 2021 Notice of Motion	That Council review its tree removal compensation policy, to ensure that it balances the need to maintain significant tree coverage with the need for additional housing development, and to ensure it remains consistent with community expectation.	Director City Amenity	

8. **RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

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

The Chief Executive Officer reports:-

"In accordance with the procedures approved in respect to Questions Without Notice, the following responses to questions taken on notice are provided to the Committee for information.

The Committee is reminded that in accordance with Regulation 29(3) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, the Chairman is not to allow discussion or debate on either the question or the response."

8.1 Weeds Management File Ref: F21/129234; 13-1-10

Memorandum of the Acting Director City Amenity of 27 January 2022.

8.2 Street Trees File Ref: F21/129238; 13-1-10

Memorandum of the Acting Director City Amenity of 4 February 2022.

8.3 Protection of Bushland File Ref: F21/129253; 13-1-10

Memorandum of the Acting Director City Amenity of 27 January 2022.

That the information be received and noted.

Delegation: Committee





MEMORANDUM: LORD MAYOR DEPUTY LORD MAYOR ELECTED MEMBERS

WEEDS MANAGEMENT

Meeting: Parks and Recreation Committee

Meeting date: 9 December 2021

Raised by: Councillor Harvey

Question:

Can the Acting Director City Amenity provide advice on State Government activity to manage weeds on Crown land such as the Southern Outlet and the Brooker Highway?

Response:

State Growth has a priority weed program for the strategic control and monitoring of declared weeds along its 3 700 kilometre state road network.

The works are done according to their <u>State Roads Weed Management Strategy</u> <u>2016-2026</u>

As signatory to this report, I certify that, pursuant to Section 55(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, I hold no interest, as referred to in Section 49 of the Local Government Act 1993, in matters contained in this report.

John Fisher ACTING DIRECTOR CITY AMENITY

Date:27 January 2022File Reference:F21/129234; 13-1-10





City of HOBART

MEMORANDUM: LORD MAYOR DEPUTY LORD MAYOR ELECTED MEMBERS

STREET TREES

Meeting: Parks and Recreation Committee

Meeting date: 9 December 2021

Raised by: Lord Mayor Reynolds

Question:

Can the Acting Director City Amenity advise how many street trees have been planted per year since the approval of the Street Tree Strategy and how does this annual planting rate compare to the two years prior to the Street Tree Strategy coming in?

Do you have a sense of the actual number of trees that the City would need to plant to meet the strategy goal?

Response:

The Street Tree Strategy was adopted in August 2017- towards the end of that years planting season.

The Street Tree Strategy found the existing canopy cover across urbanised areas to be 16.7%, and set out an aspirational target for canopy cover of 40% by 2046. This would require more than doubling the 2017 canopy cover levels and is unlikely to be achieved without a significant increase in tree planting in these highly urbanised spaces that have much competition for available space.

The results of the implementation of the Strategy is reflected in number of trees planted

- Pre Street Tree Strategy average planting of 69 trees/year in the 3 preceding years.
- Post STS (2018 >) average of 263 trees planted/year.

Budget uncertainty due to Covid-19 resulted in reduced tree planting in 2020 - although still substantially higher than pre-street tree strategy

Year	No. trees	
2015	95	
2016	65	
2017	45	
2018	216	
2019	388	
2020	260*	
2021	189*	
*Budget uncertainty due to Covid pandemic resulted in reduced tree planting		

The City is currently preparing to undertake automated canopy mapping which will provide an insight into tree canopy distribution and change. This will likely identify loss on private land and areas for expansion on public land. It will also establish tenure blind canopy connection options across the City.

This data will then be used for future modelling to determine the amount of tree planting that is required to achieve the street tree strategy canopy enhancement targets. This figure is likely to be three times the current rate of planting.

As signatory to this report, I certify that, pursuant to Section 55(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, I hold no interest, as referred to in Section 49 of the Local Government Act 1993, in matters contained in this report.

John Fisher ACTING DIRECTOR CITY AMENITY

 Date:
 4 February 2022

 File Reference:
 F21/129238; 13-1-10



MEMORANDUM: LORD MAYOR DEPUTY LORD MAYOR ELECTED MEMBERS

PROTECTION OF BUSHLAND

Meeting: Parks and Recreation Committee

Meeting date: 9 December 2021

Raised by: Lord Mayor Reynolds

Question:

Can the Director City Amenity advise what protections are in place in the Hobart Interim Planning Scheme to protect Hobart bushland reserves from the development of private roads and other private infrastructure?

Do all Hobart reserves have this protection?

Response:

Council land is protected from development by the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993.* It is a requirement of the Act that if any person wishes to develop land which is owned or administered by the Council then the written consent of the General Manager (CEO) is required.

These applications are assessed by considering whether the proposal is an appropriate use of public land. This is separate from all of the planning considerations under the planning scheme.

Since the Council is able to control development on its land in this way, it provides protection from unwanted and inappropriate development in bushland and other reserves.

As signatory to this report, I certify that, pursuant to Section 55(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, I hold no interest, as referred to in Section 49 of the Local Government Act 1993, in matters contained in this report.

John Fisher ACTING DIRECTOR CITY AMENITY

 Date:
 27 January 2022

 File Reference:
 F21/129253; 13-1-10

9. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

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

An Elected Member may ask a question without notice of the Chairman, another Elected Member, the Chief Executive Officer or the Chief Executive Officer's representative, in line with the following procedures:

- 1. The Chairman will refuse to accept a question without notice if it does not relate to the Terms of Reference of the Council committee at which it is asked.
- 2. In putting a question without notice, an Elected Member must not:
 - (i) offer an argument or opinion; or
 - draw any inferences or make any imputations except so far as may be necessary to explain the question.
- 3. The Chairman must not permit any debate of a question without notice or its answer.
- 4. The Chairman, Elected Members, Chief Executive Officer or Chief Executive Officer's representative who is asked a question may decline to answer the question, if in the opinion of the respondent it is considered inappropriate due to its being unclear, insulting or improper.
- 5. The Chairman may require a question to be put in writing.
- 6. Where a question without notice is asked and answered at a meeting, both the question and the response will be recorded in the minutes of that meeting.
- 7. Where a response is not able to be provided at the meeting, the question will be taken on notice and
 - (i) the minutes of the meeting at which the question is asked will record the question and the fact that it has been taken on notice.
 - (ii) a written response will be provided to all Elected Members, at the appropriate time.
 - (iii) upon the answer to the question being circulated to Elected Members, both the question and the answer will be listed on the agenda for the next available ordinary meeting of the committee at which it was asked, where it will be listed for noting purposes only.

10. CLOSED PORTION OF THE MEETING

RECOMMENDATION

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:

- Minutes of a Closed Committee Meetingg
- Closed Questions of Notice

The following items are listed for discussion:-

- 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)(b), (c)(i), (c)(ii) and (c)(iii)
- Item No. 5 Questions Without Notice