



MINUTES

Glenorchy City Council Meeting
held at the Council Chambers
on Monday, 27 July 2026
at 3.30 pm



- Present (in Chambers):** Alderman Sue Hickey (Mayor), Aldermen Shane Alderton, Josh Cockshutt, Steven King, Tim Marks, Peter Ridler, Stuart Slade, Justin Stringer and Russell Yaxley (Deputy Mayor) and Councillor Molly Kendall
- Present (by video link):** None
- In attendance (in Chambers):** Luke Chiu (Acting Chief Executive Officer), Michael Sokulski (Acting Director Community and Corporate Services), Robbie Shafe (Acting Director Environmental Services), Patrick Marshall (Director Infrastructure and Development), Christine Lane (Manager Stakeholder and Executive), Poorni Wanigasekara (Acting Coordinator Executive and Strategy), Warren Yates (Manager Community), Lisa Rudd (Inclusive City Officer)
- In attendance (by video link):** Mandy Henderson (Executive Officer to the Chief Executive Officer and Mayor)
- Leave of Absence:** Emilio Reale [Chief Executive Officer], Tracey Ehrlich [Director Community and Corporate Services]

Workshops held since last Council meeting:**Date:** Monday, 6 July 2026**Purpose:** Site visit to Goulds Lagoon, Granton:

- Community Consultation

Date: Monday, 13 July 2026**Purpose:** To present and discuss at a Closed Workshop:

- Main Road Amenity Project
- Mural Artwork
- Greater Hobart Sport Infrastructure Strategy

Date: Monday, 20 July 2026**Purpose:** To present and discuss at an Open Workshop:

- ABS Census
- Art in Public Places

Purpose: To present and discuss at a Closed Workshop:

- Traffic Calming Devices Policy

The Council meeting was live streamed on Council's website, Facebook page and YouTube channel. The peak number of viewers watching the live stream was 20 viewers and four members of the public attended in person.

The Chair opened the meeting at 3.30 pm.

The Chair acknowledged and paid respect to the Tasmanian Aboriginal Community as the original and traditional owners and continuing custodians of the land and their elders, past and present.

We acknowledge the muwinina people as the traditional owners of this land. We recognise the Tasmanian Aboriginal people as the original owners and continuing custodians of the land, sky and country and waters of this island, Lutruwita. We pay our respect to Aboriginal Elders, past and present. We commit to working in a way that welcomes and respects all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.

The Chair read a statement noting that the meeting would be recorded and live streamed to members of the public, and about work health and safety at the Council meeting.

1 APOLOGIES

None.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (OPEN MEETING)

Resolution:

Ald. Marks/Ald. Slade

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday, 29 June 2026 be confirmed.

The motion was put.

FOR: Ald. Hickey, Ald. Yaxley, Ald. Alderton, Ald. Cockshutt, Ald. King, Ald. Marks, Ald. Ridler, Ald. Slade, Ald. Stringer and Cr. Kendall

AGAINST: Nil

ABSTAINED: Nil

The motion was CARRIED.

3 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR

Pool Update

Site works

- The pool works are still tracking well, and handover of the site back to Council is imminent.
- The final coat of paint is being applied this week, and Council has started the internal landscaping works, including the installation of a BBQ shelter, BBQ and seating.
- We are now looking for a local artist to create mural artworks for the external walls of the pool building.

Opening celebrations

- We anticipate that the plan to celebrate the opening of the pool will be announced in the next week or so.
- Belgravia have provided in-principle support of a draft plan that has been developed with input from key stakeholders, including community members.
- The plan includes a “first swim” event on Thursday, 1 October and a family fun day on Saturday, 3 October.

Youth Hub

- The school holiday program at the Youth Hub was very well attended, with around 50 young people attending each day.
- Now that school has returned, weekday afternoon drop-in sessions from 3.00 pm – 5.00 pm will be in full swing.

Bird Flu

- As you would be aware, H5 bird flu has been detected in wild birds in Western Australia, South Australia and New South Wales.
- Whilst there have been no detections in Tasmania, it is important that the community remains vigilant.
- If you notice sick or dead birds or other wildlife, do not touch them.
- If you see more than five (5) sick or dead birds or other wildlife in one location, avoid contact, record what you see by taking photos or videos noting the location, and report it to the Emergency Animal Disease Hotline on 1800 675 888.
- Smaller numbers of sick or dead birds and wildlife can be reported through the online reporting form on the Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania website.

Protecting Wellington Park

- Last month, Council staff joined a multi-agency operation in Wellington Park to educate riders about the illegal use of dirt bikes.
- The operation brought together staff from Wellington Park Management Trust, Tasmania Police, the Parks and Wildlife Service, Hobart City Council and Council’s Environment Team.

- The operation provided an opportunity to engage with riders, explain why dirt bikes are not permitted in the park and raise awareness of the impact they have on the environment, walking tracks and the safety of other park users.
- This collaborative effort helps to protect Wellington Park and ensures it remains a safe and enjoyable place for everyone to enjoy.

National Tree Day Planting

- Council's Environment Team joined Conservation Volunteers Australia last Thursday to celebrate National Tree Day with a community tree planting event at Windermere Bay.
- The planting took place on the Curlew Parade side of the reserve, with volunteers planting native trees and shrubs that will help restore local habitat and improve the health of the foreshore.
- This event was a great opportunity to support the local environment, connect with the community and contribute to a greener Glenorchy.

Moonah Arts Centre Exhibition

- If you have not already done so, I encourage you to visit the latest exhibition at the Moonah Arts Centre.
- *Faces From Our Town* is a thought-provoking series of photographic portraits produced by Paul County in collaboration with students from Lutruwita/Tasmania, during portraiture workshops.
- This collection celebrates difference through portraits and stories.
- Other exhibitions on display until 22 August include *Like A Tree* by digital media artist Robin Petterd and *Artworks in Paint*, a group exhibition featuring participants from a local art group, Painting with Raymond.

Upcoming Events

Citizenship Ceremony

- This Wednesday, Council will host its second Citizenship Ceremony for the month.
- Across the two ceremonies we will have welcomed an impressive 150 new citizens to Glenorchy.

Kick it to KGV

- This Saturday, 1 August, Council will host a free community event on Council lawns to celebrate connection, inclusion and belonging.
- Kick It 2 KGV will include free food, entertainment and AFL Tasmania giveaways.
- Following the event, participants will be encouraged to attend the Glenorchy vs Brighton football match at KGV.

Next Open Workshop

- Our next Open Workshop will be held on Monday, 3 August at 3.30 pm.
- There will be two sessions at this open workshop. The first will be an update on Council's natural areas engagement from the Natural Areas team.
- The second will focus on Homelessness Week, with guest presenters joining our Community Development team to provide a briefing of Homelessness Week initiatives and activities.

Winter Warmer Community Expo

- Next Wednesday, 5 August, from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm, Council will host a warm and welcoming community event designed to bring people together during the cooler months.
- Community members are invited to attend the Youth Hub to enjoy a free hot lunch, live entertainment, family-friendly activities and to connect with local organisations offering practical support, advice and services.

Main Road Moonah Amenity Public Forum

- Also on Wednesday, 5 August, between 5.30 pm and 6.30 pm at the Moonah Arts Centre, Council and Inspiring Place will host a public forum to discuss the Main Road Moonah Amenity project.
- Members of the public are invited to attend and view the concept designs for two trial parklet locations along Main Road Moonah between Hopkins Street and Albert Road.
- Those unable to attend the forum, can view the concept designs on Council's Let's Talk, Glenorchy page and provide feedback online.

Places of Glenorchy

- Our latest Places of Glenorchy video features the Chigwell Community Garden.

4 PECUNIARY INTEREST NOTIFICATION

The Chairperson asked if any Elected Members had or were likely to have a pecuniary interest in any items on the Agenda.

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

5 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Regulation 36, 37 and 38 *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025*.

No questions were taken on notice from the June Council meeting.

6 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (15 MINUTES)

Please note:

The Council Meeting is a formal meeting of the Elected Members elected by the Glenorchy community. It is chaired by the Mayor. Public question time is an opportunity in the formal meeting for the public to ask questions of their elected Council representatives about the matters that affect ratepayers and citizens.

In accordance with regulation 36, 37 and 38 (Public question time) Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025, Council will allocate 15 minutes during each Council Meeting to invite members of the public to ask questions relating to the activities of Council.

The following rules and procedures apply to Public Question Time:

1. questions must relate to the activities of Council
2. members of the public are to announce their name and residential address before asking a question (which will be recorded in the minutes)
3. questions are to be put succinctly and in the form of a question, not a comment
4. questions must not be inflammatory, abusive, defamatory, contain a personal attack or otherwise breach any rules of the meeting which have been explained by the Chairperson
5. the Chairperson may limit the number of questions asked by each member of the public in order to ensure that all members of the public wishing to ask questions are given the opportunity within the allocated time
6. the Chairperson will decide the order in which questions are to be asked and may rotate the order between different members of the public if individuals have more than one question to ask
7. the Chairperson may, in their absolute discretion:
 - a) refuse to answer a question if the Chairperson deems that it is inappropriate or does not comply with these rules or the rules of the Council meeting, or
 - b) take a question 'on notice', in which case the answer will be provided in writing prior the next Council meeting and included on the agenda for the next Council meeting
8. if a question is taken on notice, the Chairperson may request that the member of the public submit their question in writing and may refuse to provide a response if the question is not provided as requested, and
9. the 15 minutes allocated for Public Question Time may be extended at the discretion of the Chairperson at the conclusion of the time period. Council is to publish information relating to Public Question Time, including any additional rules and procedures, on Council's website.

Question with notice – Eddy Steenbergen, Rosetta

Received Friday, 26 June 2026 for July 2026 Council meeting

Response sent by email Tuesday, 21 July 2026

Q1: At the Council Meeting which approved the 2026-27 budget, I asked questions about some aspects of the budget. One related to the difference between how the 2025-26 and 2026-27 budgets were described, the first as an operating surplus and the second as a balanced break-even.

Those two descriptions are based on different financial calculations and so can not be compared directly.

To help me make a meaningful comparison, I ask this question:

If you apply the same calculation that gave us an operating surplus in 2025-26, what does council expect in 2026-27, an operating surplus or deficit and what amount?

Response:

The difference in wording arises because two different financial measures were being discussed.

Using the same measure that was used to describe the 2025-26 budget as having an operating surplus, the 2026-27 budget is expected to be **approximately break-even**, meaning Council is budgeting for an operating result that is close to **\$0**, with no material operating surplus or deficit planned.

An **operating surplus** occurs when Council's operating income is greater than its operating expenses for the year. An **operating deficit** occurs when operating expenses exceed operating income.

Any operating surplus generated during the year increases Council's available financial resources and can be used to help fund future capital works and other Council priorities. Conversely, an operating deficit would reduce those available resources.

While the final result will depend on actual income and expenditure during the year, Council's adopted 2026-27 budget does not forecast a significant operating surplus or deficit and is therefore described as a **balanced or break-even budget**.

Question with notice – Eddy Steenbergen, Rosetta

Received Monday, 6 July 2026 for July 2026 Council meeting

Response sent by email Tuesday, 21 July 2026

The Coordinator Planning Services, Lead Statutory Planner, and Lead Strategic Planner of Council have delegations allowing them to “determine applications for discretionary permits,” i.e., Section 57 applications.

An Instrument of Delegation defines which discretionary permits can be determined by the three delegates.

I (**Eddy Steenbergen**) would like to understand how the method used by the delegates to deal with a planning application differs from the process followed by the Glenorchy Planning Authority (**GPA**).

So I ask the following questions hoping to receive a rationale for each answer.

Q1: Do the three delegates follow the same standard process to determine applications? If they do, is that process described in a council policy, can I see a copy?

Response:

The planners assess applications against the relevant planning scheme provisions, a delegated decision-maker is under the same legislative obligations to follow the planning scheme.

Q2: Who decides whether a discretionary Development Application (DA) will be dealt with by a delegate?

Response:

A person holding a delegated power has the same power as the person who granted them the power. The intent of the delegation is to allow officers to decide lower-risk permit applications, so that the GPA has more time for more topical applications. The delegation of powers also helps Council to meet the strict planning application deadlines.

Q3: Is anyone informed that a discretionary DA, which may have been advertised, is to be dealt with by a delegate – the public, applicant, representors, GPA members, no-one? If so, who is told what?

Response:

The applicant and parties with the legislative right to object to the decision are notified when the decision is made.

Q4: Does a delegate write the conditions to be part of any granted permit?

Response:

The delegate approves the permit including any conditions. Draft conditions are always prepared by a Council planner.

Q5: Can a delegate negotiate permit conditions with the applicant?

Response:

The content of the permit conditions are dictated by the planning scheme requirements. Most of the conditions use standard wordings as other permits of a similar kind. The council planner and the applicant may discuss the conditions that are being recommended, however the delegate makes the final decision on which conditions will go on the permit.

Q6: When the GPA makes a decision, the permit is published in the minutes of the meeting. If a delegate makes a decision, does council publish (a) the permit, (b) the conditions on the permit, (c) any other part of the permit or (c) any information about the permit? If so, who is told what?

Response:

The permit which includes conditions is not published. A list of delegated decisions is available on the Council's website each quarter. The applicant and any parties with the legislative right to object to the decision are notified.

Q7: If the GPA made the decision, applicant and representors have appeal rights which are announced at the meeting. If a delegate made the decision, will the applicant and representors have the same appeal rights for the granting/denial of the permit or the conditions on the permit? Does anyone have appeal rights for a permit granted by a delegate?

Response:

The appeal rights are uniform for all applications.

Q8: Section 6(6) of LUPAA says "a function of power performed or exercised by a delegate has the same effect as if performed or exercised by a planning authority". How does council understand the term "same effect" in relation to determination of discretionary planning applications?

Response:

Delegating a power to an officer means that they are making a decision as if it was made by the person delegating the power.

Q9: How would Council describe the accountability that a delegate bears in deciding a discretionary DA?

Response:

The legislative requirements are very clear, the Council must uphold the planning scheme and the legislative requirements under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act (LUPAA). This duty applies regardless of who makes the decision.

Question without Notice - Mala Crew, Glenorchy

Q1: Why isn't Council awarding an advertising contract to an advertising agency to advertise on bus shelters and perhaps earn an income?

A1: [Director Infrastructure and Development] We have explored this with advertising companies, and we haven't had anyone interested in advertising on bus shelters in Glenorchy. Bearing in mind that Council only owns the bus shelters in the Tolosa Bus Mall. The remainder of the bus shelters are owned by Building Tasmania. Council didn't install the original bus shelters on our local streets. Regardless, we have explored the option of advertising, but we have not found anyone interested in advertising on the shelters.

Q2: Terry Street Mural and the almost \$48,000 that it cost, what was the amount paid to the artist or were repairs undertaken by Council staff and if they were not undertaken by staff, why not?

A2: [Acting CEO] With the mural (on Cooper Street not Terry Street) I think those figures are close to correct. Approximately half the money went to the artists to do the mural, the other half went to other contractors to do the work to repair the wall. This included wall preparation, cleaning/paint removal, waterproofing, sealing, and fencing. Some associated works were completed internally by Council.

[Mayor] Jamin is an artist of significant recognition, and we were very excited to have his work here. The amount paid to him includes all of his paints, time and all of his assistance in being involved in the design. We are getting a lot of praise for that wall.

Question without Notice - Eddy Steenberg, Rosetta

Q1: What sort of matters are outstanding with the showgrounds and the progress of construction, particularly on the residential side of things?

A1: [Director Infrastructure and Development] There is a lot of planning work still to go with that development. They have a live planning scheme amendment before Council, which we are waiting on further information around the housing proposed. We have got a meeting with them this week to work through some of those planning issues. Given this is a live planning application I am unable to provide further details.

Q2: Who had input in the design or testing of the new website and would Council be interested in public input on the design or its operation?

A2: [Acting CEO] To give us time to address any functional errors with the new website, we soft launched it and continue to rectify any errors as we go. This is why it hasn't been publicised. Part of the problem was the old website wasn't properly supported anymore, so it has been moved to a new format. It is largely a like-for-like transition from the old website information to the new, but in a more usable and accessible format and with outdated information or documents archived. The main driver was to make sure we had a functioning website that was supported. Now we are going through the process of making sure the information is all up to date.

If you would like to provide feedback, you can do so in writing to the Manager Stakeholder and Executive.

[Manager Stakeholder and Executive] During the design of the new website we engaged a group of super-users who are community members. This group also undertook user acceptance testing on the site prior to launch. Whilst the group was relatively small it was representative. Please send any feedback through to me directly.

Q3: Reference to an unplanned charitable remission application of almost \$160,000 worth or rate remissions. One organisation was the predominant receiver of that. How does this come about and what is the organisation and how is this going to be an ongoing commission?

A3: [Acting Director Community and Corporate Services] Section 87 of the Local Government Act 1993 provides exemptions for specified classes of land. The relevant category for many not-for-profit entities is land, or part of land, owned and occupied exclusively for charitable purpose. Council provides remission to a charitable entities throughout the year. Actual remissions given where higher than the budget.

Question without Notice - Deanne Gillie, Granton

Q1: The land at 2 Jacques Road was being ear marked on the disposal list, has that land been retained to become reserved with bird life?

A1: [Acting CEO] I believe Council did propose the vacant corner block (15 Hestercombe Road) for disposal a number of years ago, but from my understanding it went through a community consultation process and it was quite strongly opposed. It is not currently proposed for disposal in any way at this point in time. If it were to be considered for disposal in the future, it would come back through Council.

Q2: At the Whitestone Point main intersection there have been two fatalities and a number of other serious accidents on that intersection over the last 15-20 years. Can this be earmarked for black spot funding to look at improving that, turn it into a roundabout, reducing speeds?

A2: [Acting CEO] I believe some of those investigations are, or have been occurring.
[Director of Infrastructure and Development] There have been some plans prepared for the installation of a roundabout at this intersection previously, however it hasn't progressed past the concept stage. The installation of a roundabout comes at a considerable infrastructure cost, so it needs to be prioritised against other road safety projects. We will put it on our list of future potential black spot projects.

Question without Notice - Janiece Bryan, Montrose

Q1: Has the Council secured a contract for an affordable learn to swim program when our pool reopens in October?

A1: [Acting CEO] Belgravia has come back on board as the operator. They have committed to only charging the same fees that they had previously, plus CPI. So they are quite affordable fees relative to other aquatic centres.

Learn to Swim programs are often school-based and would be run directly through the Education Department. I would have to go back and check whether there are plans for any other Learn to Swim programs run outside of the school system.

This part of the question was taken on notice.

Answer: – Belgravia have confirmed they do intend to run their own learn to swim programs as well at the Glenorchy War Memorial Pool called GoSwim, as long as the water temperature is high enough.

Q2: At the February meeting I asked if the pool could be opened for an extra month, have you got an answer on this?

A2: [Acting CEO] We did look into this, it was presented to a Council report about six months ago. The additional cost for the extra month was approximately \$70,000 so it creates a challenging decision as to how much money Council subsidises for a relatively small number of users in that additional month when the weather is colder. As such Council has not proposed running it for the extra month at this stage. We are open to monitoring it and will reassess it after we see how strong usage demand is and how well the heating holds up in the colder months. It would however be challenging to change that decision during the pool season as the operator needs to have staffing and lifeguards locked in for the duration of the season.

7 PETITIONS/ADDRESSING COUNCIL MEETING

None.

8 COMMUNITY

Community Goal – Making Lives Better

8.1 ACTIVITIES OF THE MAYOR

File Reference: Activities of the Mayor

Resolution:

Ald. Slade/Ald. Alderton

That Council:

1. RECEIVE and NOTE the report about the activities of Mayor Hickey during the period from Monday, 15 June 2026 to Sunday, 12 July 2026.
2. RECEIVE and NOTE the report about the activities of the Deputy Mayor Yaxley during the period from Monday, 29 June 2026 to Sunday, 5 July 2026.

The motion was put.

FOR: Ald. Hickey, Ald. Yaxley, Ald. Alderton, Ald. Cockshutt, Ald. King, Ald. Marks, Ald. Ridler, Ald. Slade, Ald. Stringer and Cr. Kendall

AGAINST: Nil

ABSTAINED: Nil

The motion was CARRIED.

9 ECONOMIC

Community Goal – Open for Business

No reports on the agenda for this item.

10 ENVIRONMENT

Community Goal – Valuing our Environment

No reports on the agenda for this item.

11 GOVERNANCE

Community Goal – Leading our Community

11.1 POLICIES UPDATE: ACCESS, EQUITY AND BELONGING POLICY AND THE CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT POLICY

File Reference: Policies by Directorate

Executive Summary

All policies adopted by Council are reviewed cyclically. The ordinary review period for Council policies is four years after adoption, however policies may be reviewed earlier if it is appropriate to do so, for example if there are changes to a relevant governing act.

This report presents the Access, Equity and Belonging updated policy to Council recommended for adoption, and Cultural Development Policy Council recommended for rescinding.

Resolution:

Ald. Alderton/Ald. King

That Council:

3. NOTE the tracked changes for Access and Inclusion Policy **Attachment 1**.
4. ADOPT the updated and renamed Access, Equity and Belonging Policy in the form of **Attachment 2** and **Attachment 3**.
5. RESCIND the Cultural Development Policy **Attachment 4**.
6. NOTE this motion is subject to an amendment in the *Celebrating Diversity* section of the policy to include a reference to multicultural communities

The motion was put.

FOR: Ald. Hickey, Ald. Yaxley, Ald. Alderton, Ald. Cockshutt, Ald. King, Ald. Marks, Ald. Ridler, Ald. Slade, Ald. Stringer and Cr. Kendall

AGAINST: Nil

ABSTAINED: Nil

The motion was CARRIED.

11.2 END OF FINANCIAL YEAR CAPITAL WORKS STATUS REPORT

File Reference: Capital Works Program

Executive Summary

This report provides the final status of Council's 2025/26 Capital Works Program.

Council delivered \$29.121 million in capital works during the financial year against an approved budget of \$31.899 million, achieving an overall program delivery rate of 91%. This included delivery of 90% of the Recurrent Capital Program and 97% of the Major Grant-Funded Projects Program.

Key projects delivered included the Renfrew Circle reconstruction, Abbotsfield Road footpath improvements, Giblins Reserve car park extension, Main Road Granton shared path, Apex Park playspace renewal, Poimena Reserve public toilet replacement and the Glenorchy War Memorial Pool redevelopment.

Ongoing construction cost escalation, contractor availability constraints and fuel related cost pressures continued to present challenges for project delivery. Despite these pressures, Council maintained strong delivery outcomes through proactive program management and oversight by the Infrastructure Management Group (IMG).

A small number of projects were deferred into 2026/27, including the Main Road footpath upgrade (Gavitt Street to Windsor Street) and the Albert Road reseal. The International Food Garden and Humphreys Rivulet Rehabilitation projects will also continue into 2026/27 in accordance with grant conditions.

Overall, the report demonstrates Council's continued commitment to delivering infrastructure improvements, renewing ageing assets and maximising community benefit from available capital funding.

Resolution:

Ald. Cockshutt/Ald. Yaxley

That Council:

1. RECEIVE and NOTE the end of financial year capital works status report for 2025/26.

The motion was put.

FOR: Ald. Hickey, Ald. Yaxley, Ald. Alderton, Ald. Cockshutt, Ald. King, Ald. Marks, Ald. Ridler, Ald. Slade, Ald. Stringer and Cr. Kendall

AGAINST: Nil

ABSTAINED: Nil

The motion was CARRIED.

11.3 QUARTERLY REPORT - Q4 - PERIOD ENDING 30 JUNE 2026

File Reference: Corporate Reporting

Executive Summary

This report provides Council with the Quarterly Report for the period ending 30 June 2026, outlining key financial and operational performance results for the fourth quarter of the 2025/26 financial year.

The Quarterly Report includes:

- The Chief Executive Officer's Summary of Strategic and Operational Highlights
- Council's Quarterly Financial Performance Report
- Budget Variation Proposals
- Progress Reporting against Annual Plan Measures.

Financial Performance

The amounts in this report are interim and will not be finalised until completion of 2025/26 year-end accounting adjustments and audit requirements. While many of the required year-end adjustments have been completed and are reflected in this report, it is expected there will be some further income and expenditure adjustments during the annual accounts finalisation process. We expect additional operating costs to be recorded once finalised in relation to landfill rehabilitation costs, grants, workers compensation charges and expense accruals.

Council's interim operating result at 30 June 2026 is \$3.289 million favourable to budget.

- Operating Revenue: \$84.521 million which is \$407,000 (0.5%) favourable to the \$84.113 million annual budget. A generally satisfactory result with offsetting variances across all revenue streams.
- Operating Expenditure: \$80.729 million which is \$2.389 million (3.4%) favourable to the \$83.611 million annual budget. A satisfactory result largely due to some "difficult to budget" items and expenditure on grant funded projects carrying over into next year.
- Capital Grant Revenue: \$6.830 million which is \$864,000 favourable to the \$5.966 million annual budget. The Glenorchy Pool repair and redevelopment grant is the major revenue item which has been fully expended in the financial year.
- Capital Works: \$29.121 million expenditure which is \$2.778 million underspent against the \$31.899 million annual budget. A separate capital works status update report is being presented to Council at this meeting.

Overall, a favourable result for 2025/26 has been produced despite challenging local and world events impacting the sourcing and cost of consumables for both Council and our community. It is expected these challenges will continue into the 2026/27 year meaning prudent and manageable financial decisions are paramount.

Resolution:

Ald. Stringer/Cr. Kendall

That Council:

1. RECEIVE and NOTE Council's Quarterly Report (**Attachment 1**) and Quarterly Annual Plan Progress Report (**Attachment 2**) for the quarter ending 30 June 2026.

The motion was put.

FOR: Ald. Hickey, Ald. Yaxley, Ald. Alderton, Ald. Cockshutt, Ald. King, Ald. Marks, Ald. Ridler, Ald. Slade, Ald. Stringer and Cr. Kendall

AGAINST: Nil

ABSTAINED: Nil

The motion was CARRIED.

11.4 PROCUREMENT EXEMPTIONS

File Reference: Procurement

Executive Summary

In accordance with section 333B of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council has adopted a Code for Tenders and Contracts (the Code).

Under the Code, a report must be prepared for Council detailing any instances where the usual public tender or quotation has not been applied. Such procurement exemptions are to be reported at the earliest ordinary Council meeting following the execution of a contract or issue of a purchase order.

This report details an approved procurement exemption for the continued engagement of Livepro Australia Pty Ltd (ABN 92 095 140 775) for the provision of its knowledge management and reference system.

The exemption is for a further period of one (1) year, extending Council's use of the Livepro platform to a total of six (6) years since its initial engagement in 2021. The total value of the engagement, including the additional one-year term, is approximately \$78,555.24 (excluding GST).

The exemption was approved by the Director Corporate and Community Services on 15 June 2026, on the basis that a change of service provider at this time would require considerable organisational resources and cause disruption to business continuity.

Resolution:

Ald. Stringer/Ald. Marks

That Council:

1. RECEIVE and NOTE the approved exemption for the continued engagement of Livepro Australia Pty Ltd for the provision of its knowledge management and reference system for a further period of one (1) year, with a total engagement value of approximately \$78,555.24 (excluding GST).

The motion was put.

FOR: Ald. Hickey, Ald. Yaxley, Ald. Alderton, Ald. Cockshutt, Ald. King, Ald. Marks, Ald. Ridler, Ald. Slade, Ald. Stringer and Cr. Kendall

AGAINST: Nil

ABSTAINED: Nil

The motion was CARRIED.

11.5 AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION - REDISTRIBUTION OF FEDERAL ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES IN TASMANIA

File Reference: Electoral Boundaries

Executive Summary

The Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) released a proposed redistribution of federal electoral boundaries in Tasmania in February 2026. The AEC noted that the changes were proposed due to excessive variation in the enrolment quotas in several electorates, and because more than seven years has elapsed since the last redistribution. The *Commonwealth Electoral Act* specifies that a redistribution process should be undertaken in these circumstances.

The proposed redistribution recommended that the Glenorchy local government area move from Clark to Lyons. Council submitted a representation objecting to the proposed redistribution that was endorsed by Council at its meeting of 30 March 2026. Council objected on the basis that Glenorchy is a major metropolitan municipality that is integrated with the Greater Hobart region and the proposed move from Clark to Lyons would risk weakening representational coherence for metropolitan issues. Council also argued that the proposal was highly disruptive in moving 113,884 electors (27.56%), and that less disruptive alternatives exist.

On 15 July 2026, however, the AEC announced that the proposed boundaries for Tasmania that were outlined in February have largely been adopted. A summary of these changes are:

- **Lyons:** will gain the Glenorchy local government area. Lyons loses the Break O'Day, Brighton, Glamorgan Spring Bay, Sorell, Tasman and remainder of Clarence local government areas. The February proposal to lose Blackstone Heights and Prospect Vale to Bass has not been adopted.
- **Clark:** will grow to include the Huon Valley and remainder of the Kingborough Council local government areas. Clark loses the Glenorchy local government area.
- **Franklin:** will change significantly to a south-east coast focus and gains the Brighton, Glamorgan Spring Bay, Sorell, Tasman, and the remainder of the Clarence local government area. Franklin loses the Huon Valley and remainder of the Kingborough local government areas.
- **Bass:** will gain the Break O'Day local government area.
- **Braddon:** will remain unchanged.

These boundary changes will take effect on 8 October 2026 when the formal notice of determination is published in the Commonwealth Notices Government Gazette.

These changes only affect Federal electoral boundaries at this stage, however, the Tasmanian State Parliament has historically amended the *Tasmanian Constitution Act* to adopt federal boundaries for its House of Assembly.

The most immediate impact to Council is potential changes to federal (and possibly state) elected representatives with the Glenorchy local government area moving from Clark to Lyons. Changes to electorate demographics and priorities may also influence Council's advocacy efforts to secure support and funding for strategic projects.

Resolution:

Ald. Alderton/Ald. King

That Council:

1. RECEIVE and NOTE the attached report on the Australian Electoral Commission Redistribution of Federal Electoral Boundaries in Tasmania.

The motion was put.

FOR: Ald. Hickey, Ald. Yaxley, Ald. Alderton, Ald. Cockshutt, Ald. King, Ald. Marks, Ald. Ridler, Ald. Slade, Ald. Stringer and Cr. Kendall

AGAINST: Nil

ABSTAINED: Nil

The motion was CARRIED.

11.6 NOTICES OF MOTION - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE / WITHOUT NOTICE

None.

Resolution:

Ald. Ridler/Ald. Marks

That the meeting be closed to the public to allow discussion of matters that are described in Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025.

The motion was put.

FOR: Ald. Hickey, Ald. Yaxley, Ald. Alderton, Ald. Cockshutt, Ald. King, Ald. Marks, Ald. Ridler, Ald. Slade, Ald. Stringer and Cr. Kendall

AGAINST: Nil

ABSTAINED: Nil

The motion was CARRIED.

CLOSURE OF OPEN MEETING BY THE CHAIR

The meeting be closed to the public to allow discussion of matters that are described in Regulation 17 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025*.

The meeting was closed to members of the public and the live stream was terminated at 4.38 pm.

The Chair adjourned the meeting for a short break and members of the public left the meeting.

12. CLOSED TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

The closed session commenced at 4.40 pm.

12.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (CLOSED MEETING)

12.2 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

12.3 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF TASMANIA 2026 BY-ELECTION

This item is to be considered at a Closed Meeting of Council by authority of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025, in accordance with the following reason(s):

17(2)(h) Information that is –

- (i) of a personal and confidential nature; or
- (i) information provided to the Council on the condition it is kept confidential

12.4 NOTICES OF MOTION - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/ WITHOUT NOTICE

The meeting was moved from Closed back into Open Council.

The Open Council Meeting recommenced at 5.05 pm.

The Chair closed the meeting at 5.05 pm.

Confirmed:

Chair