

**Minutes of the Meeting
of the Glenorchy City Council
held at the Council Chambers
on Monday, 28 February 2022 at 6.00pm**



NOTE: Due to COVID-19 members of the public were not able to attend. The meeting was live-streamed for members of the public on Council's Facebook page.

Present (in Chambers): Alderman Bec Thomas (Mayor)

Present (by video link): Alderman Steven King (Deputy Mayor), Aldermen Peter Bull, Melissa Carlton, Jan Dunsby, Sue Hickey, Simon Fraser, Gaye Richardson and Angela Ryan

**In attendance
(in Chambers):** Bryn Hannan (Executive Officer)

**In attendance
(by video link):** Tony McMullen (General Manager), Jenny Richardson (Director Corporate Services), David Ronaldson (Director Community and Customer Services), Sam Fox (Director Strategy and Development), Emilio Reale (Director Infrastructure and Works), Tina House (Chief Financial Officer), Tracey Ehrlich (Manager Corporate Governance), Marian Maclachlan (Executive Assistant to the General Manager)

Leave of Absence:

Workshops held since last Council Meeting

Date: Monday, 7 February 2022

Purpose: To discuss:

- Greater Hobart Metroplan
- Update to the sub-divisions – Public Open Space acquisitions and contributions policy

Date: Tuesday, 15 February 2022

Purpose: To discuss:

- Communications strategy
- Guidelines and policies under development
- Traffic management in the City

Due to risks associated with COVID-19, members of the public were not permitted to attend the Council meeting in-person. The meeting was live streamed on Council's Facebook page and YouTube channel.

The peak number of viewers watching the live stream of the meeting on Facebook was 19 viewers.

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.

The meeting commenced at 6.02pm.

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, present and emerging.

1. APOLOGIES

Alderman Sims.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution:

DUNSBY/KING

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday, 31 January 2022 be confirmed.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Bull, Ryan, Dunsby, King, Thomas, Richardson, Fraser, Carlton and Hickey

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR

The Mayor read the following statement.

Cadbury Celebrates 100 Years in Claremont!

Today I'd like to acknowledge that this year we celebrate 100 years of chocolate production at the Cadbury Factory in Claremont. I was fortunate enough to visit the factory recently to celebrate this milestone and learn some facts about the site.

Now owned and operated by Mondelez International, the Cadbury factory employs over 450 staff, including many locals, with an average tenure of 21 years.

The Claremont site is the largest Cadbury factory in Australia and the Southern Hemisphere.

To this day, 48 dairy farms in Tasmania's north-west proudly supply the glass and a half of milk in every block and some have been supplying Cadbury with their milk for over 50 years!

Claremont produces all the Cadbury Dairy Milk blocks, as well as iconic novelty products like Cadbury Freddo and Caramello Koalas, making over 200 million blocks annually – equating to 60 000 tonnes of chocolate!

Congratulations to Cadbury on this milestone.

4. PECUNIARY INTEREST NOTIFICATION

The Chair asked if any Aldermen had, or were likely to have, a pecuniary interest or a conflict of interest in any items on the Agenda.

Alderman Richardson declared a conflict of interest in Item 9 (Regional Sport, Recreation and Entertainment Hub Masterplan)

Alderman Carlton declared a pecuniary interest in relation to Item 9 (Regional Sport, Recreation and Entertainment Hub Masterplan)

5. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

None.

6. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (15 MINUTES)

Questions on notice – Eddy Steenberg, (received 3 February 2022)

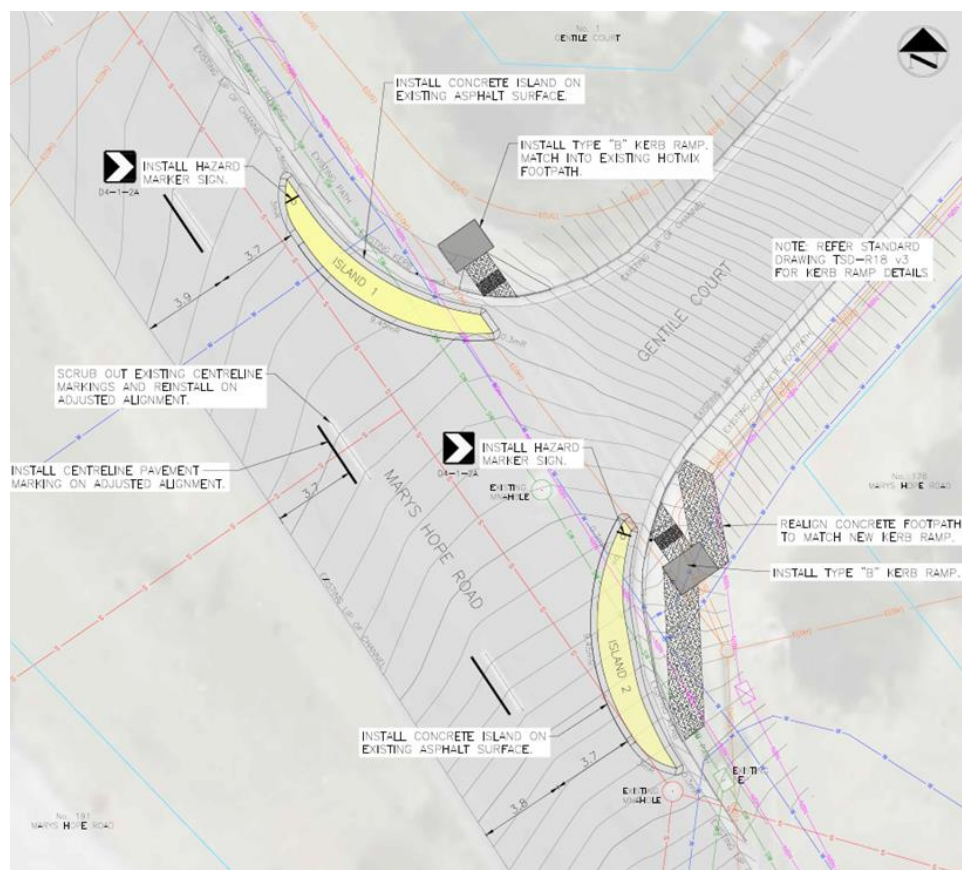
My question relates to a recent tender (contract #0869) for roadworks to be done at a number of locations in Glenorchy. One leapt off the page for me because it is not far from where I live. Titled “Marys Hope Road & Gentile Court Intersection Traffic Islands 2021/22 Blackspot Project”, it involved two small traffic islands at the intersection. Back in 2019 the advice from Council to the Planning Authority for the 190 Marys Hope Road DA was that the intersection was safe with adequate sight distances in both directions on Marys Hope Road.

Q1. Can Council please inform me why Council later submitted a request to the Black Spot Program for that location?

- A. The developer of 190 Marys Hope Rod submitted a Traffic Impact Assessment which considered the safety of the intersection of Marys Hope Road and Gentile Court. It was concluded that the development would not have a detrimental effect on the safety of the intersection.

Marys Hope Road is very wide in the vicinity of this intersection and along this stretch of road which sets a road environment with a posted speed of 60km/h. Over time Council would like to reduce this speed limit due to developments in the area. However, before this can occur the road environment needs to be suitable for a 50 km/h speed limit.

To achieve this, the Black Spot project at the intersection involves the installation of kerb blisters at the intersection, as shown on the plan below. This will narrow the perception of Marys Hope Road to help reduce vehicle speeds. A similar treatment has been undertaken at the nearby intersection with Kilander Crescent. The project also has other benefits including increased sight lines at the intersection and improved pedestrian facilities. Upgraded kerb ramps will greatly improve the accessibility for pedestrians crossing Gentile Court.



Q2. Did Council have new advice?

A. No

Q3. Can I please have a copy of Council's submission?

A. Council officers can send you a copy of the report.

Q4. What process does Council undertake to determine whether to submit requests to the Black Spot Program? Does it invite or accept public input?

A. Council reviews our road network and crash data annually to highlight any potential Black Spot projects. Black Spot projects can either be based on crash history or from a road safety audit perspective. Nominations for Black Spot locations are invited from state and territory governments, local councils, community groups, industry, and individuals. More information about the Black Spot process and submissions can be found on their website at: <https://investment.infrastructure.gov.au/about/local-initiatives/black-spot-program/index.aspx>

Questions on notice – Eddy Steenberg, (received 8 February 2022 at 1.04pm)

In April 2021 Council in a response to a question on notice by Bob Holderness-Roddam referred to a “traffic counter set up on Main Road, Austins Ferry” and data acquired by that counter. Given the importance of traffic flow data in the traffic impact assessment for most DAs, I ask the following questions.

Q1. Did Council own the counter used in that instance? If not then how was the data collection undertaken?

A. Council owned traffic counters which record the speed, type and number of every vehicle over a one-week period were placed on Main Road between Merley Road and Tavistock Road in November 2020.

Q2. Can Council provide me with the raw data from the traffic collection referred to by Bob Holderness-Roddam, preferably as an Excel spreadsheet?

A. The data is captured and analysed using a program called MetroCount. The data on Main Road in November 2020, showed that there are on average 5,599 vehicles per day with a mean speed of 54.9km/h and 85th percentile speed (speed at which 85% of vehicles travel at or below) of 59.9km/h on a 60km/h road. A copy of two of the reports generated from MetroCount showing volume and speed can be provided.

Q3. Does Council maintain a digital archive of traffic counter datasets? If so, can you provide a list of locations and date ranges for those datasets?

A. Council has been putting out traffic counts for over 20 years and has over 700 traffic data sets. We maintain a database of these counts with the basic information such as overall speed and volume. Within the MetroCount traffic count program, this data can be further analysed such as for certain periods of time or direction. A list of Council’s traffic data locations and date ranges can be provided.

Q4. Does Council undertake traffic data collections in a routine fashion, possibly on a schedule, to ensure that it has relatively recent data in the city that it can use to judge the validity of traffic impact assessments provided with DAs? If so, what locations are covered? Collector roads? What schedule?

A. Council undertakes traffic counts based on customer requests and at strategic locations to understand how our network is operating. We aim to update our data every 7 years on our most important roads. Traffic Impact Assessments for Development Applications can use our data if available along with data from State Growth that is collected at most traffic lights.

Q5. The State Department of State Growth makes their traffic data publicly available on the “geocounts.com” website. Will Council consider making their archive, if any, of traffic flow datasets publicly available, either in the Council website, the geocounts.com website, or some other mechanism?

- A. Our traffic count data is not currently publicly available online. The “geocount.com” website includes a snapshot of the Department of State Growth’s traffic information but doesn’t include Council owned roads. We are happy to provide information for specific locations as requested.

Questions on notice – Eddy Steenbergen, (received 16 February 2022 at 12.41pm)

- Q. In March last year Council kindly provided me with a summary list of all development applications determined in the 2020 calendar year by Council staff under delegation. Can you now provide me with the same data for all development applications determined in the 2021 calendar year under delegation? The data I received last year contained these data fields for each DA - Application No, Address, Description, and Decision Date. I understand that all aldermen already receive a quarterly report containing this data, so I expect Council to regard this request as a routine disclosure. I'd prefer the data as a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet**
- A. The requested information will be provided.

Questions on notice – Janiece Bryan, (received 22 February 2022)

Consultants fees and Community Development Grant update

- Q1. Could Council please provide details of spending on Consultant Fees for Council’s period of Office from January 2018 to the present time (4 Calendar Years)? Could you also provide separate details of fees paid to Media and Marketing Companies since January 2018 to the present time? Does Council keep a Register of Consultant Engagements and Relevant Details?**
- A. Answers to these questions will be provided at the March 2022 Council meeting.
- Q2. Could you provide an update on the spending of the \$12.8 million Community Development Grant announced in January 2019 by Andrew Wilkie MP, Senator Abetz and the Council for the North Chigwell Hub where 800 players share one pitch. Should Grant Funding be a priority for Council to spend before Grant terms expire and funds are lost to the community? When does the North Chigwell Grant term expire? Why is the KGV project receiving priority for Council spending and capital works when the original \$12.8 Million Grant was granted and based on the severe need at North Chigwell?**
- A. Council received advice in 2018 of Football Tasmania’s success in obtaining in-principle approval for a \$12.8M grant from the Australian Government to fund major upgrades to soccer facilities in the northern suburbs. Council has not received any grant funding money for these projects as yet and has not yet received the amended funding deed.

The proposed project to invest in a soccer hub was the vision of the Metro Claremont Football Club and Football Tasmania, whose research indicated to them that the project had the potential to improve grassroots participation level in the Northern Suburbs. This project was not identified as a strategic priority

for Council, nor was Council involved in seeking or obtaining the grant funding, but Council did consider it politically prudent to accept this multi-million dollar grant funding with the understanding that there would need to be further deliberating on the scale of the project, mostly because the depreciation and maintenance costs of such a development would be extremely high for this site and much more than the club could sustain. Therefore, the grant was accepted on the basis that there was potential to negotiate the reallocation of the funding to the broader benefit of the community and also upgrade the aged facilities at KGV Football Park.

On that basis and after much stakeholder negotiation, a “70%/30%” split was negotiated which would see \$8.96 million allocated to the North Chigwell Junior Soccer Hub and the balance \$3.84 million allocated to KGV Football Park for much needed facilities, such as replacement of the synthetic pitch and lighting, grandstand and change room upgrades.

The Grant funds at KGV Football Park have also been further augmented by a \$1 million grant to Glenorchy Knights (subject to their agreement) and a \$500,000 “Levelling the Playing Fields” grant for providing female facilities as part of the upgrade.

To date Council’s major project’s team has proceeded with preliminary site investigations by commissioning reports into geotechnical, environmental conditions, access and egress issues and other site surveys. Standing tenders are in place for lighting, electrical upgrades, synthetic turf, drainage, and detailed architectural design has commenced for the KGV change room facility. A quantity surveyor’s estimate based on the preliminary concept design has also been commissioned. Given the current overheated market conditions, the projects had to be rescope to fit within total budget constraints. Council is ready to proceed with these projects once the Funding Agreement is received from the Australian Government which is expected in the near future.

Questions on notice – James Bryan, (received 22 February 2022 at 8.03pm)
Mid-year budget review – rezoning of four properties

Q1. The 2021/2022 Mid-Year Budget Review (Page 46) identifies four (4) public land properties being rezoned by Council prior to sale. Could you please advise the four (4) public land properties in question, their current zone and the new zoning that is being applied prior to sale?)

A. The four properties and the zonings are:

- **3 Edgar Street Claremont** - In December 2021, this property was approved to change zone from Public Open Space to General Residential.
- **5a Taree Street Chigwell** - In December 2021, this property was approved to change zone from Public Open Space to General Residential.

- **345 Main Road Glenorchy** – In December 2021, this property was approved to change zone from Utilities to Central Business.
- **14a Colston Street Claremont** – Undergoing an external planning assessment relating to change in zone from Utilities to General Residential. This is still in progress.

Question on notice Shane Alderton (received 27 February 2022)

The following questions relate to an Item being discussed in tonight's closed council meeting Item 18 Investigation of the Relocation of the Southern City Bmx Track.

Q1. Can Council confirm it approached the Southern City Bmx Club with the idea to relocate to Tolosa Park?

- A. Council did propose that the BMX track, currently situated at Berriedale, would be relocated to Tolosa Park as part of a co-location of bicycle-related facilities there.

The idea for the relocation of the BMX track was a vision that was first identified in the Tolosa Park Master Plan, developed in 2013 and first presented to Council in January 2014. The vision in the Master Plan was to consolidate bike riding infrastructure at the southern boundary of Tolosa Park between the criterium circuit and the Glenorchy Mountain Bike Park. The key recommendation and action in relation to the action was to *"Relocate the Southern Tasmania BMX Club to Tolosa Park either on the rifle range lease site or elsewhere nearby"*. The cost of the transfer was not known by Council at that time, as there were not concept plans or geotechnical studies undertaken.

The need for relocation of the facility has been given further impetus by negotiations with MONA about their needs for administration and art storage facilities nearby their Berriedale museum.

Q2. Will Council be giving the Southern City Bmx Club an undertaking it can remain at its current location until a relocated track is up and running?

- A. There is no undertaking that commits Council to providing a site for a BMX Club to operate until a new site is established. Council is working with the club and other entities to find a new location and provide continuity. However, until we have completed our investigations and engagement with the club, we cannot provide certainty as to the future location or the time it will take to relocate the track.

Q3. Will Council be releasing a Media Statement after Discussion of Item 18 Investigation of the Relocation of the Southern City Bmx Track at the Conclusion of tonight's Council Meeting?

- A. A media statement was released on Thursday 24 February 2022. A copy has been supplied to Mr Alderton for reference. A news article was published on Council's website the same day.

Q4. Can Council provide Me and the Community with a breakdown of costs to council so far in its Investigation of Relocating the Southern City Bmx Track?

- A. Yes, a total sum of \$26,403 has been expended from Council's Economic Recovery Program funds (funded by an interest free loan from the Tasmanian Government as part of its COVID-19 relief package) that was set aside for the purpose of constructing this facility. This was for the Geotechnical Assessment and development of concept plans.

Q5. Can Council provide Me and the Community with the total costs to Council to Relocate the Southern City Bmx Track to Councils decided new location ?

- A. Because a new location has not yet been selected, it is not possible to determine the amount, if any, that Council may contribute to any relocation of the BMX track.

7. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS

None.

COMMUNITY

Community Goal: “Making Lives Better”

COMMUNITY

8. ACTIVITIES OF THE MAYOR

File Reference: Mayoral Announcements

Reporting Brief:

To receive an update on the recent activities undertaken by the Mayor.

Resolution:

BULL/RICHARDSON

That Council:

RECEIVE this report about the activities of Mayor Thomas during the period from Monday, 24 January to Saturday, 19 February 2022.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Bull, Ryan, Dunsby, King, Thomas, Richardson, Fraser, Carlton and Hickey

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED

ECONOMIC

Community Goal: "Open for Business"

Aldermen Richardson and Carlton left the meeting at 6:15 pm

ECONOMIC

9. REGIONAL SPORT, RECREATION AND ENTERTAINMENT HUB MASTERPLAN

File Reference: Regional Sport and Rec Hub

Reporting Brief:

To recommend that Council adopts the Regional, Sport, Recreation and Entertainment Hub Masterplan ([Attachment 1](#)) to strengthen and strategically align Glenorchy's cluster of regionally significant sport, recreation and entertainment facilities.

Resolution:

DUNSBY/KING

That Council:

ENDORSE the Glenorchy Park Sport, Recreation and Entertainment Masterplan, in the form of [Attachment 1](#).

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Bull, Ryan, Dunsby, King, Thomas, Fraser and Hickey

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

Alderman Richardson and Carlton returned to the meeting at 6:27 pm.

GOVERNANCE

Community Goal: "Leading our Community"

GOVERNANCE

10. GLENORCHY DISTRICT FOOTBALL CLUB CONSIDERATION OF DEBT WAIVER

File Reference: GDFC-KGV

Reporting Brief:

To determine the appropriate treatment of the remaining disputed GDFC debt following a settlement agreement, including the waiver of the disputed debt residue as unrecoverable.

Resolution:

BULL/RYAN

That Council:

1. RECEIVE and NOTE the Report.
2. APPROVE conditionally upon the Glenorchy District Football Club (GDFC) abiding by the terms of the recent Deed of Settlement signed by the GDFC on 4 February 2022, that the remaining debt under this lease and licence (\$55,059.28) be written off in accordance with Section 76 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Bull, Ryan, Dunsby, King, Thomas, Richardson, Fraser, Carlton and Hickey

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

Alderman King left the meeting at 6.31 pm.

11. QUARTERLY REPORT - QUARTER 2 2021/22

File Reference: Corporate Reporting

Reporting Brief:

To provide Council with the Quarterly Report for the second quarter of the 2021/22 financial year (quarter ending 31 December 2021).

Resolution:

FRASER/BULL

That Council:

RECEIVE and NOTE Council's Quarterly Report and Quarterly Annual Plan Progress Report for the quarter ending 31 December 2021.

Alderman King returned to the meeting at 6.33 pm.

Alderman Carlton noted that the attachment to the report containing the Quarterly Annual Plan Progress Report was incorrect.

The correct attachment to the report was tabled.

The Chair noted that the version of the attachments published on Council's website would be updated to include the correct attachment.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Bull, Ryan, Dunsby, King, Thomas, Richardson, Fraser, Carlton and Hickey

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

12. CAPITAL WORKS SUMMARY REPORT

File Reference: Capital Works

Reporting Brief:

To provide a Capital Works Status Update Report to Council for the period ending 31 January 2022.

Resolution:

RICHARDSON/KING

That Council:

1. RECEIVE and NOTE the Capital Works Status Summary Report for the period ending 31 January 2022
2. NOTE the adjustments to Capital Estimates pursuant to Section 82(7) of the *Local Government Act 1993* which are detailed in Attachment 1, and
3. APPROVE a Capital Works budget adjustment of \$463,243 for the Landfill extension project.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Bull, Ryan, Dunsby, King, Thomas, Richardson, Fraser, Carlton and Hickey

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

13. FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT TO 31 JANUARY 2022

File Reference: Corporate and Financial Reporting

Reporting Brief:

To provide the monthly Financial Performance Report to Council for the period ending 31 January 2022.

Resolution:

RICHARDSON/BULL

That Council:

RECEIVE and NOTE the Financial Performance Report for the year-to-date ending 31 January 2022 as set out in Attachment 1.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Bull, Ryan, Dunsby, King, Thomas, Richardson, Fraser, Carlton and Hickey

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

14. PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACTS - MONTHLY REPORT

File Reference: Procurement

Reporting Brief:

To inform Council of exemptions that have been applied to procurements under Council's Code for Tenders and Contracts for the period 18 January to 15 February 2022 and to provide an update on external legal expenditure in accordance with the Ministerial Directions.

Resolution:

DUNSBY/FRASER

That Council:

RECEIVE and NOTE the Procurement and Contracts Monthly Report for the period from 18 January to 15 February 2022.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Bull, Ryan, Dunsby, King, Thomas, Richardson, Fraser, Carlton and Hickey

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

15. NOTICES OF MOTIONS – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE / WITHOUT NOTICE

Questions without notice – Alderman Sims

- Q.** Over recent months I've again had a number of the community approach me regarding the Glenorchy historical committee. There appears to be a lot of confusion regarding councils approach and role, as well as various cohorts of the community who are extremely passionate and keen to see improved progress and support.

In saying this I have several questions. From Council's knowledge:

- Is the publicly available CBOS Registration information correct?
 - Why is the principle activity listed as 'unknown' and what does this mean?
 - Are there any other members, board members & chairpersons?
 - What are their functions and outputs?
 - Is the currently listed venue open to the public for accessing these important historical archives?
- Q.** We recently signed on to the LGAT suicide prevention community action plan. It was an LGAT initiative funded through the state government facilitated by Relationships Australia and is supposed to be implemented by local councils.
- Where is our action plan?
 - What is the progress feedback & outcomes so far?

- A.** Both questions were taken on notice.

Resolution:

KING/BULL

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 2015*.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Bull, Ryan, Dunsby, King, Thomas, Richardson, Fraser, Carlton and Hickey

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

The meeting closed to the public and the live stream was terminated at 7.06pm

CLOSED TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Alderman Ryan left the meeting at 7:06 pm.

The meeting resumed at 7.07 pm

16. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (CLOSED MEETING)

Resolution:

DUNSBY/KING

That the minutes of the Council meeting (closed meeting) held on Monday, 31 January 2022 be confirmed.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Bull, Dunsby, King, Thomas, Richardson, Fraser, Carlton and Hickey

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

Alderman Ryan returned to the meeting at 7.09 pm.

17. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

None.

COMMUNITY

Community Goal: "Making Lives Better"

COMMUNITY

15. INVESTIGATION OF THE RELOCATION OF THE SOUTHERN CITY BMX TRACK

This item is to be considered at a closed meeting of the Council by authority of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 Regulation 15(2)(b) (Information that, if disclosed, is likely to confer a commercial advantage or impose a commercial disadvantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting, or proposes to conduct, business) and (2)(c) (Commercial information of a confidential nature that, if disclosed, is likely to: prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it; confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the Council; or reveal a trade secret).

ENVIRONMENT

Community Goal: “Valuing our Environment”

19. ESTABLISHMENT OF A SOUTHERN WASTE JOINT AUTHORITY

This item is to be considered at a closed meeting of the Council by authority of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 Regulation 15(2)(d) (Contracts and tenders, for the supply and purchase of goods and services and their terms, conditions, approval and renewal).

20. NOTICES OF MOTIONS – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE / WITHOUT NOTICE (CLOSED)

None.

KING/BULL

That the meeting move back into open Council.

The motion was put.

FOR: Aldermen Bull, Ryan, Dunsby, King, Thomas, Richardson, Fraser and Carlton

AGAINST:

The motion was CARRIED.

The Chair closed the meeting at 7.43pm.

Confirmed,

CHAIR