

# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CLARENCE CITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BLIGH STREET, ROSNY PARK, ON MONDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2025

**HOUR CALLED:** 6.00pm

**PRESENT:** The meeting commenced at 6.02pm with the Mayor (Cr B A Blomeley) in the Chair and with Councillors:

H	Chong
J	Darko
E	Goyne
B	Hunter
R	James
W	Kennedy
T	Mulder
A	Ritchie
J	Walker
B	Warren; present.

**1. APOLOGIES** D Hulme

**ORDER OF BUSINESS** Items 1 – 11

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Chief Executive Officer  
(Mr I Nelson)

Head of Infrastructure and Natural Assets  
(Mr R Graham)

Head of Community and Culture  
(Ms T Cockburn)

Head of Strategic Development Communications and Engagement  
(Ms G Wicks)

Chief Financial Officer  
(Ms J Murrell)

Head of City Planning  
(Mr D Marr)

Head of Regulatory Services  
(Mr R Brennan)

Acting Head of Governance  
(Mr P Warmbrunn)

Executive Officer to the Chief Executive Officer  
(Ms J Ellis)

The Meeting closed at 7.31pm.

**COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MONDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2025**

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**1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

The Mayor:

- made the following statement:

*“Before proceeding, I pay my respects to the Mumirimina people as the traditional and original custodians of the lands on which we meet, and I acknowledge the continuing connection of the Tasmanian Aboriginal people to the skies, land and waterways.*

*I pay respect to Elders past and present.”*

- invited those present to pause for a moment of quiet reflection and respect before commencing the council meeting.
- advised the Meeting and members of the public that Council Meetings, not including Closed Meeting, are livestreamed, audio-visually recorded and published to Council’s website. The meeting is not protected by privilege. A link to the Agenda is available via Council’s website.

**NATIONAL POLICE REMEMBRANCE DAY**

The Mayor asked those present to remain standing to acknowledge National Police Remembrance Day, which is held throughout Australia and the South West Pacific Region on or about 29 September each year. The Mayor advised that he represented the City of Clarence at the Tasmania Police Remembrance Day Ceremony held today and laid a wreath in honour of those who have sacrificed their lives in the line of duty. He asked that we especially remember Constable Keith Smith who died in June this year.

**2. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES**

Refer to cover page.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS OF COUNCILLORS OR CLOSE ASSOCIATE**

In accordance with Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 and Council’s adopted Code of Conduct, the Mayor requests Councillors to indicate whether they have, or are likely to have a pecuniary interest (any pecuniary benefits or pecuniary detriment) or conflict of interest in any item on the Agenda.

**INTEREST DECLARED:     NIL**

## 4. OMNIBUS ITEMS

### 4.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 8 September 2025, as circulated, be taken as read and confirmed.

**Decision:** **MOVED** Cr Kennedy **SECONDED** Cr Goyne

“That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 8 September 2025, as circulated, be taken as read and confirmed”.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### 4.2 MAYOR’S COMMUNICATION

#### 4.2.1 Conduct at Meetings

The Mayor referred to the interaction that occurred at the last Council meeting between himself and Cr James and why he considered that Cr James had been in breach of the meeting procedures, particularly as they relate to behaviour towards the Chair. The Mayor expressed his hope that the standards set by the meeting procedures can be met for this and all future meetings.

#### 4.2.2 The Mayor reported on the following meetings and attendances since the last Council Meeting:

10 September:	Meeting with Bradley Walker
11 September:	TasWater Director Interviews
12 September:	Golden Roos Luncheon Informal Welcome Function – Battle of Britain Commemoration 2025 Australian Defence Force Careers Expo Official Reception
13 September:	Risdon Vale Community Market Battle of Britain Commemoration 2025 Church Service Battle of Britain Commemoration 2025 Dinner
14 September:	Battle of Britain Commemoration 2025 Service and Luncheon South Arm Community Club – Precinct Open Day Movie Premiere – The Road Between Us Documentary
15 September:	WSTAR Bus Ad Campaign Launch
16 September:	ABC Breakfast – Interview regarding Councillor Numbers and Allowances 7 News Media – Interview regarding Councillor Numbers and Allowances
17 September:	LGAT Mayor’s Workshop – Devonport
22 September:	Mini Catchup Citizenship Ceremonies Cricket Tasmania Season Launch/Field of Fame

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**MAYOR'S COMMUNICATION /contd...**

- 24 September: GEONEON Launch – 2025 Greater Hobart Exposure Index  
Greater Hobart Mayors' Forum
- 25 September: Meeting with James Dorney – Recycle Rewards  
Launch of the “Community Battery” with Julie Collins  
Sam Chedid and Eric Abetz regarding Proposed Development Meeting  
Spirit of Tasmania – Chair, Board and CEO of TT – Line Event
- 26 September: Launch of Mental Health Week 2025  
AFL Ladies Lunch  
Bellerive Arts Centre Meeting
- 27 September: 2025 Hobart Legacy Annual Dinner
- 28 September: Club Beltana Lindisfarne Community Bowls – Open Day  
Opening Ceremony of the Bathukamma Festival
- 29 September: National Police Remembrance Day 2025; and  
City of Clarence RAP Launch Event.

**Deputy Mayor Councillor Allison Ritchie (on behalf of Mayor)**

- 12 September: Clarence Football Club – Youth Presentation
- 16 September: Antarctic Season Opening 2025-2026; and
- 22 September: Fundraising Cocktail Party – Kennerley Kids – Moving on Program.

**Councillor Wendy Kennedy (on behalf of Mayor)**

- 25 September: 2025 Exhibition Opening – Minds Do Matter 2025.

**4.2.3 Local Government Professionals Award**

The Mayor advised that Council's Manager Waste and Sustainability, Mr Micky Young recently won the award for “Excellence in Leadership” at the Local Government Professionals Award event held in Devonport. On behalf of Council and the City of Clarence the Mayor congratulated Micky on his award and for his ongoing efforts in the area of waste management, resource recovery and the circular economy.

**4.2.4 Tolpuddle Vineyard, Richmond**

The Mayor advised of Tolpuddle Vineyard's recent success at the International Wine Challenge Awards in London with their 2023 Chardonnay claiming “Champion White Wine”. The Mayor tabled a letter that he had written to Tolpuddle Vineyard's owners, Mr Martin Shaw and Mr Michael Hill-Smith to congratulate them on their recent accolade and to thank them for the continuing contribution to the profile of the City of Clarence.

**4.3 COUNCIL WORKSHOPS**

In addition to the Councillor's Meeting Briefing (workshop) conducted on Friday immediately preceding the Council Meeting the following workshops were conducted by Council since its last ordinary Council Meeting:

PURPOSE	DATE
Community and Civic Hub	
Confidential Briefing	
Dog Management Policy	
Stakeholder and Community Engagement Framework	15 September

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes the workshops conducted.

**Decision:** **MOVED** Cr Kennedy **SECONDED** Cr Goyne

“That the Recommendation be adopted”.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **4.4. TABLING OF PETITIONS**

Nil.



#### **4.5 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES**

This agenda item is listed to facilitate the receipt of both informal and formal reporting from various outside bodies upon which Council has a representative involvement.

#### **REPORTS FROM SINGLE AND JOINT AUTHORITIES**

Provision is made for reports from Single and Joint Authorities if required.

Council is a participant in the following Single and Joint Authorities. These Authorities are required to provide quarterly reports to participating Councils, and these will be listed under this segment as and when received.

- **COPPING REFUSE DISPOSAL SITE JOINT AUTHORITY**

Representative: Cr James Walker

**Quarterly Reports**

None pending.

**Representative Reporting**

- **TASWASTE SOUTH**

Representative: Cr Warren (Mayor's nominee)  
Cr Hunter (Proxy)

- **TASWATER CORPORATION**

- **GREATER HOBART COMMITTEE**

#### **REPORTS FROM COUNCIL AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVE BODIES**

**ACTIVE LIVING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

- Cr Ritchie tabled the minutes of the Active Living Advisory Committee meeting held on 23 June 2025.

**CYCLING SOUTH**

- Cr Chong tabled the agenda and minutes of the Cycling South Annual General Meeting held on 16 September 2025.

**4.6 WEEKLY BRIEFING REPORTS**

The Weekly Briefing Reports of 8, 15 and 22 September 2025 have been circulated to Councillors.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the information contained in the Weekly Briefing Reports of 8, 15 and 22 September 2025 be noted.

**Decision:** **MOVED** Cr Kennedy **SECONDED** Cr Goyne

“That the Recommendation be adopted”.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Public question time at ordinary Council meetings will not exceed 15 minutes. An individual may ask questions at the meeting. Questions may be submitted to Council in writing on the Friday 10 days before the meeting or may be raised from the Public Gallery during this segment of the meeting.

The Chairman may request a Councillor or Council officer to answer a question. No debate is permitted on any questions or answers. Questions and answers are to be kept as brief as possible.

### **5.1 PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

(Seven days before an ordinary Meeting, a member of the public may give written notice to the Chief Executive Officer of a question to be asked at the meeting). A maximum of two questions may be submitted in writing before the meeting.

Questions on notice and their answers will be included in the minutes.

Mr Bradley Walker of Howrah gave notice of the following questions:

**1. BAYVIEW SECONDARY COLLEGE UPDATE**

Can the council please update on the progress of Bayview secondary colleges sports precinct plan and provide an expected start time for this project and if there isn't one, what council are doing to make this project happen?

**2. PURCHASE OF 30 GORDONS HILL ROAD, ROSNY**

With the council's purchase of the office building at 30 Gordons Hill Road, Rosny. Can council provide details whether this property will be running at a loss or profit and for what period of time does council see this happening?

### **5.2 ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

Council's Chief Executive Officer provided the following answers to the questions from Mr Bradley Walker at Item 5.1.

**1. BAYVIEW SECONDARY COLLEGE UPDATE**

Following master plan approval by the Council in October 2021, we undertook a detailed Feasibility Study and Business Case to understand the development in greater detail and provide a solid case to proceed. The Business Case was completed and presented to Councillors in mid-2023. Community consultation on the Business Case opened in early September 2024 and closed late December 2024. Council adopted the final business case, in early 2025.

Council is attending ongoing meetings with Federal and State MPs to discuss funding opportunities for the project, as well as holding discussions with sporting associations to explore future partnerships. Until funding is secured, Council will not be in a position to determine a project start time. Dependent on funding received, the project may progress in stages.

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**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE /contd...****2. PURCHASE OF 30 GORDONS HILL ROAD, ROSNY**

30 Gordons Hill Road is currently leased until January 2027. While a lease is in place, on a cash basis, any expenditure on the building is fully offset by lease income received. Council is currently undertaking a needs analysis of what the building will be used for post January 2027.

**5.3 ANSWERS TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE**

The Chief Executive Officer provides the following answers to Questions taken on Notice from members of the public at previous Council Meetings.

At Council's Meeting of 8 September Mr Bradley Walker of Howrah asked the following question.

**CLARENCE MOUNTAIN BIKE PARK**

Council opened the Clarence Mountain Bike Park in the Meehan Range in 2009. Since then, council has maintained it and added significant infrastructure at this mountain bike park. It is my understanding that the majority of land at this mountain bike park is owned by the Department of State Growth and Parks and Wildlife. Can the council provide how much they have spent to date on this mountain bike park and how council calculate the community benefit and the return on this outlay?

**ANSWER**

Clarence City Council is committed to providing high-quality recreational facilities for our community, including the Clarence Mountain Bike Park. While most of the Meehan Range land is owned by the Department of State Growth and Parks and Wildlife, the Council has taken a lead role in developing and maintaining the park to ensure its continued use and benefit for the public.

Over the past 19 years, the Council's total spending on the construction of the park has been approximately \$1.036 million, which was offset by significant grant funding. The ongoing annual maintenance budget for the 25km of tracks is now \$100,000.

The Clarence Mountain Bike Park provides a strong return on the Council's investment by delivering significant community and economic benefits.

The return is measured by tangible outcomes, not just financial figures. A community survey confirmed that 91% of visitors are local residents, establishing it as a valued community asset. Further data from a trail counter shows an average of 157 trips per day, with many users visiting the mountain bike park at least once a week.

The park is used by people of all ages, from school groups to seniors, and aligns with a 2022 AusPlay survey which found that mountain biking is a top activity for Tasmanians. By providing a free and accessible space for physical activity, the park promotes the health and wellbeing of residents and drives positive economic activity through high visitation.

These metrics demonstrate that the park successfully fulfills the Council's strategic objectives.

**5.4 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

Mr Victor Marsh of Bellerive asked the following question.

**PEDESTRIAN SAFETY - BELLERIVE**

I am quite concerned about the repeated damage to the bollards outside Cabbages Flower Shop and Cripps Bakery where outdoor diners gather. If the purpose of the bollards is to protect pedestrians it is also concerning they are not being repaired promptly. How will the council assure the community that the bollards are the correct design for a high risk pedestrian conflict area and fit for purpose for keeping the community safe?

**ANSWER**

The Mayor took the question on notice.

Mr D Carr of Droughty Point asked the following question.

**BUSHFIRE HAZARD**

Nayuka Street in Geilston Bay my family recently did a subdivision there. It is bordered on one side by council bushland reserve, it is very difficult because of bushfire attack levels for people to build houses there and do it safely and get on with it. Low and behold the Council has now planted a dozen wattle trees along the boundary just outside the rear boundary. Why on earth would you do that? They are not even indigenous to the area; they are certainly not endemic to the area, so it just increases the bushfire hazard. The question is why?

**ANSWER**

The Mayor took the question on notice.

Council's Public Question Time Policy can be found on Council's website at [Public Question Time - City of Clarence : City of Clarence \(ccc.tas.gov.au\)](https://www.ccc.tas.gov.au/public-question-time)

## **6. DEPUTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

(In accordance with Regulation 46 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025 and in accordance with Council Policy, deputation requests are invited to address the Meeting and make statements or deliver reports to Council)

Nil

<b>7 PLANNING AUTHORITY MATTERS</b>
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In accordance with Regulation 29 (1) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025, the Mayor advises that the Council intends to act as a Planning Authority under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993, to deal with the following items:

**7.1 CREATION OF DELEGATIONS FOR MANAGER COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT BY COUNCIL ACTING AS THE PLANNING AUTHORITY****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY****PURPOSE**

To create delegations under the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 (Tas.)* following the establishment of the new role of the Manager Compliance and Enforcement.

**RELATION TO EXISTING POLICY/PLANS**

The delegations proposed in this report are required for the new role of Manager Compliance and Enforcement to undertake the functions and duties of that role. The proposed delegations do not impact on any pre-existing Council policies or strategies.

**LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

Delegations by Council acting as the Planning Authority under the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* must be direct from Council to individual roles, as they cannot be on-delegated by the Chief Executive Officer.

**CONSULTATION**

Nil.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Not applicable.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council resolves that the Register of Delegations be modified by the addition of the delegations, as set out in Attachment 1 of the Associated Report, for the Manager Compliance and Enforcement in respect to the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 (Tas.)

<b>Decision:</b>	<b>MOVED</b> Cr Ritchie <b>SECONDED</b> Cr Hunter	
	"That the Recommendation be adopted".	
	<b>CARRIED</b>	
	<b>FOR</b>	<b>AGAINST</b>
	Cr Blomeley	Cr James
	Cr Chong	Cr Walker
	Cr Darko	
	Cr Goyne	
	Cr Hunter	
	Cr Kennedy	
	Cr Mulder	
	Cr Ritchie	
	Cr Warren	

Council now concludes its deliberations as a Planning Authority under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act, 1993.



<b>8.     REPORTS OF OFFICERS</b>
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<b>8.1    DETERMINATION ON PETITIONS TABLED AT PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS</b>
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Nil Items.

**8.2 ASSET MANAGEMENT****8.2.1 WAVERLEY FLORA PARK RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN 2025-2035 - FOR CONSULTATION****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY****PURPOSE**

To present the draft Waverley Flora Park Reserve Management Plan 2025-2035 and request Council approval for the draft Reserve Management Plan to be released for further community consultation.

**RELATION TO EXISTING POLICY/PLANS**

Council's Strategic Plan 2021-2031, Sustainability Strategy 2023-2033, Clarence Natural Areas Strategy 2024-2034, and Clarence Bushfire Mitigation Strategy 2024-2034 are all relevant.

**LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

The Threatened Species Protection Act 1995 (Tas), Nature Conservation Act 2002 (Tas), Biosecurity Act 2019 (Tas) and the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cwth) are relevant.

**CONSULTATION**

Stage One community and key stakeholder consultation occurred in 2022 for Waverley Flora Park and in 2021 for Carbeen Street Reserve through a community "walk and talk" event, "Your Say" Clarence online survey and direct key stakeholder engagement. The results of the community consultation, along with the ecological and social assessments, informed the development of the draft Waverley Flora Park Reserve Management Plan 2025-2035.

Stage Two consultation on the draft Reserve Management Plan has been articulated through the Consultation and Promotion Plan, which includes a "Your Say" online survey providing the opportunity for feedback to capture any extra information and general comments on the Reserve Management Plan (refer Attachment 3).

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Costs associated with community consultation are resourced through the Reserve Management Plans - Development recurrent budget.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council approves the release of the draft Waverley Flora Park Reserve Management Plan 2025-2035 for community consultation.

**Decision:** **MOVED** Cr Kennedy **SECONDED** Cr James

"That the Recommendation be adopted".

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

<b>8.3 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT</b>
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Nil Items.

**8.4 GOVERNANCE****8.4.1 CLARENCE CITY HEART PLAN – FOR ADOPTION****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY****PURPOSE**

To present the final City Heart Plan and seek Council endorsement.

**RELATION TO EXISTING POLICY/PLANS**

Council's Strategic Plan 2021-2031 identifies the City Heart Project as a major strategic initiative.

**LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

Nil.

**CONSULTATION**

At its meeting on 17 March 2025, Council noted the results of the fourth round of public consultation on the final draft City Heart Plan. Council authorised the removal of the proposed affordable housing element in Charles Hand Memorial Park from the final City Heart Plan.

Previous consultations on the development of the draft City Heart Plan include an initial stage of community engagement undertaken in 2020 by consultants Timmins Ray, with a further extensive, multi-stage engagement and consultation program undertaken in late 2022 (Analysis and Key Directions), in the first half of 2023 (Concepts Report), and an eight-week public consultation over December 2024 to February 2025 (final draft City Heart Plan).

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Costs associated with first year staged implementation of the City Heart Plan are accounted for in existing adopted budgets. Any additional costs identified during the development of an implementation plan will be considered by Council through the annual budget process.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council:

- A. Adopts the final City Heart Plan (Attachment 1 to the Associated Report).
- B. Notes that the final City Heart Plan has been updated in accordance with Council's resolution on 17 March 2025 - that all references to housing in Charles Hand Park be removed from the Plan.
- C. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to progress the development of an implementation plan, for approval by Council, to deliver elements of the City Heart Plan over coming years.

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**CLARENCE CITY HEART PLAN – FOR ADOPTION /contd...**

<b>Decision:</b>	<b>MOVED</b> Cr Walker <b>SECONDED</b> Cr Goyne	
	“That Council:	
	A. Adopts the final City Heart Plan (Attachment 1 to the Associated Report).	
	B. Notes that the City Heart Plan contains concepts, and that each future project arising from the Plan will be subject to council’s usual processes, including design, consultation, funding and approval.	
	C. Notes that the final City Heart Plan has been updated in accordance with Council’s resolution on 17 March 2025 - that all references to housing in Charles Hand Park be removed from the Plan.	
	D. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to progress the development of an implementation plan, for approval by Council, to deliver elements of the City Heart Plan over coming years.”	
	<b>CARRIED</b>	
	<b>FOR</b>	<b>AGAINST</b>
	Cr Blomeley	Cr Mulder
	Cr Chong	
	Cr Darko	
	Cr Goyne	
	Cr Hunter	
	Cr James	
	Cr Kennedy	
	Cr Ritchie	
	Cr Walker	
	Cr Warren	

**8.4.2 CLARENCE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE VACANCY****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY****PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to enable Council to consider nominating an elected member to fill a vacancy on the Clarence Emergency Management Committee (CEMC) following Cr Walker's resignation as Proxy Representative.

**RELATION TO EXISTING POLICY/PLANS**

Council's Strategic Plan 2021-2031 is relevant.

**LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

Section 27 of the *Local Government Act 1993* has as a function of the Mayor, to represent the Council on regional organisations and at intergovernmental forums at regional, state and federal levels. There is no legislative requirement to appoint a Proxy representative, but it is considered good governance practice in the event that the Mayor is unavailable.

**CONSULTATION**

Nil.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- A. That Cr Walker's resignation as Proxy Representative on the Clarence Emergency Management Committee be noted.
- B. That Council nominates a Councillor as Proxy Representative to the Clarence Emergency Management Committee.

/ Refer to Page 22 for Decision on this Item...

**CLARENCE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE VACANCY /contd...**

<b>Decision:</b>	<b>MOVED</b> Cr Kennedy <b>SECONDED</b> Cr Warren	
	“A. That Cr Walker’s resignation as Proxy Representative on the Clarence Emergency Management Committee be noted.”	
	“B. The Council nominates Councillor Chong as its Proxy Representative to the Clarence Emergency Management Committee.”	
	<b>CARRIED</b>	
	<b>FOR</b>	<b>AGAINST</b>
	Cr Blomeley	Cr Chong (abstained)
	Cr Darko	
	Cr Goyne	
	Cr Hunter	
	Cr James	
	Cr Kennedy	
	Cr Mulder	
	Cr Ritchie	
	Cr Walker	
	Cr Warren	

**8.4.3 DELEGATIONS FOR THE ROLE OF MANAGER COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY****PURPOSE**

To create delegations under the *Building Act 2016* (Tas.) following the establishment of the new role of the Manager Compliance and Enforcement and to issue an appointment under the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994* (Tas.)

**RELATION TO EXISTING POLICY/PLANS**

The delegations and appointment proposed in this report are required for the new role of Manager Compliance and Enforcement to undertake the functions and duties of that role. The proposed delegations do not impact on any pre-existing Council policies or strategies.

**LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

Delegations by Council under the *Building Act 2016* (Tas.) are direct from Council to council officers.

**CONSULTATION**

Nil.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Not applicable.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council:

- A. Resolves that the Register of Delegations be modified by the addition of the delegations, as set out in Attachment 1 of the Associated Report, for the Manager Compliance and Enforcement in respect to the *Building Act 2016* (Tas.).
- B. Appoints the Manager Compliance and Enforcement as an authorised officer pursuant to section 21 of the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994* (Tas.).

/ Refer to Page 24 for Decision on this Item...



**DELEGATIONS FOR THE ROLE OF MANAGER COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT /contd...**

<b>Decision:</b>	<b>MOVED</b> Cr Ritchie <b>SECONDED</b> Cr Kennedy	
	“That the Recommendation be adopted”.	
	<b>CARRIED</b>	
	<b>FOR</b>	<b>AGAINST</b>
	Cr Blomeley	Cr James
	Cr Chong	Cr Mulder
	Cr Darko	Cr Walker
	Cr Goyne	
	Cr Hunter	
	Cr Kennedy	
	Cr Ritchie	
	Cr Warren	

## 9. MOTIONS ON NOTICE

### 9.1 NOTICE OF MOTION – COUNCILLOR GOYNE INCLUSION

In accordance with Notice given, it was:

**Decision:** **MOVED** Goyne **SECONDED** Cr Ritchie

“That Council:

Affirms its unwavering commitment to fairness, dignity, and equitable opportunities for all members of our community. This commitment encompasses individuals irrespective of their gender, sexual orientation, race, religion, disability, age, or background. The Council remains steadfast in its pursuit of inclusion through policies and initiatives that promote unity and serve the entire community.”

Cr Walker left the meeting at this stage 7.14pm.

The **MOTION** was **put** and **CARRIED**

**FOR**

Cr Blomeley  
Cr Chong  
Cr Darko  
Cr Goyne  
Cr Hunter  
Cr Kennedy  
Cr Ritchie  
Cr Warren

**AGAINST**

Cr James  
Cr Mulder (abstained)

**10. COUNCILLORS' QUESTION TIME**

A Councillor may ask a question with or without notice at Council Meetings. No debate is permitted on any questions or answers.

**10.1 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

(Seven days before an ordinary Meeting, a Councillor may give written notice to the Chief Executive Officer of a question in respect of which the Councillor seeks an answer at the meeting).

Nil.

**10.2 ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

Nil.

**10.3 ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE – PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING**

Cr Goyne

1. I have spent a lot of time in the Bellerive Quay recently and I notice there is a lot of fifteen-minute carparks that are usually vacant. Apart from the fact that there is not a lot that can be done in the Bellerive quay area in fifteen minutes, can I ask how many of those have been adjusted from longer durations than fifteen minutes when we have had the changes to the new Bellerive quay area?

**Answer**

Taken on notice.

(Further information) There were no changes to the parking time limits in the Bellerive Quay area as a result of the Percy Street stormwater upgrade project completed in December 2023. There have also been no changes to the parking time limits in the area since December 2023. ¼P (15 minute) parking is provided to ensure good parking availability for quick trips to local businesses – for things like picking up take away food and coffee, getting a prescription filled, going to the post office/newsagency, etc.

2. I have noticed that the Bayview Park consultation has come out. I notice the significant reduction in carparks, and I have been discussing with the Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club, particularly that they have anywhere from twenty-five cars on a Saturday morning from 7.30 to 10. Are the plans that have been advertised set in stone, apart from the minor adjustments for what play equipment we choose, or is it something that can be renegotiated at this late stage?

**Answer**

(Manager Engineering) My initial feedback is that my understanding is that the park is considered to be a local park and from that point of view, most of the users would be expected to be walking to or from rather than parking, so that is the basis of the current parking arrangement but will confirm that with Council.

(Further information) Council was not aware Clifton Beach Surf Lifesaving Club was running training sessions at this location, as it has been doing so without the requisite Event on Council Land permit. Council staff will engage with the Club to understand how it uses this space, to assess the appropriateness of this activity in a residential setting and as appropriate ensure a permit is put in place.

Revising the park design to increase car parking would directly conflict with the project's primary goals, which are to:

- Enhance safety and accessibility for all users of a local park.
- Increase the amount of usable open space for the community (currently, one-third of the park is dedicated to parking).

The revised plan improves pedestrian safety by providing a dedicated footpath along the roadside and creates a safer, more accessible bus stop. A new kerb and channel will also be added to manage stormwater and prevent water from pooling in the park.

We recognise the existing carpark is periodically used by larger groups for launching watercraft and using the wash station. We have asked for feedback in our survey on whether a nearby location would be more suitable for these activities.

Cr James

1. My question is regarding Kangaroo Bay Chambroad and the buyback of the land by Council. It is my understanding that there is a delay in the matter going before the Supreme Court and I know that we cannot divulge too much about the legal process, but is there going to be a further delay in that matter going before the Supreme Court and that Chambroad have sought an extension of time to take it further into the New Year?

#### **Answer**

We are going through the various processes of the Court at the moment, there have been some delays on the Chambroad side. Those are being addressed by our Counsel and at this stage we do not have a date for the hearing, but we are anticipating that it will be early in 2026.

2. My question relates to the Rosny Mall. There appears to be a lot of young people that are trashing the area during the day. It is becoming an absolute pig sty in regard to people trying to find a seat in one of those enclosures waiting for the bus. I know that it is difficult to do anything about this, but it is Council's mall, we pay for any damage that has been done and there has been a lot of damage done to the glass. Can we do anything about this behaviour that is in the mall and whether there is some way in which the police can be involved?

#### **Answer**

Taken on notice.

(Further information) While Council is responsible for maintenance of the Rosny Bus Mall, we have no authority to manage anti-social behaviour. Tasmania Police is wholly responsible for responding to any anti-social and/or illegal behaviour in our community. Over the past 18 months or so Council has been collaborating with local Police, community groups and youth organisations to help address the root causes of the issues.

Council has previously removed lower sections of glass and replaced it with perforated metal – to minimise the cost of damage. This step has assisted in reducing instances of glass breakage.

Staff have been working with external stakeholders to explore opportunities to improve the general amenity of the Bus Mall, partnering with service providers who run programs to engage young people in an effort to minimise the ongoing issues of vandalism and anti-social behaviour to effect more substantial change. A trial youth diversionary program is being planned to commence in the vicinity during Term 4, 2025.

Cr Hulme

1. My question relates to the RTI application for the Department of State Growth's assessment in relation to their flawed decision on the location of the high performance centre. I understand that they are out of time, could we be updated on what the next steps are?

**Answer**

(Chief Executive Officer) The Department of State Growth has been granted an extension of time, but they have not delivered the documents requested and I have asked that the Mayor provide me some time tonight to discuss that with councillors in closed meeting.

2. There is an answer in the agenda to my question regarding Council's advocacy relating to restrictive covenants that are discriminatory against people on the basis of their financial circumstances. I understand there is a further update to that, and I would just like to hear what that is.

**Answer**

(Chief Executive Officer) As circulated today to councillors, we have received advice from LGAT. Essentially the matter was referred to the Land Titles Office; however, the Government has not responded yet to the issue of restrictive covenants. LGAT will be pursuing that with the Land Titles Office and Minister Vincent as the Minister for Local Government.

Cr Mulder

1. My question relates to the carpark between the Kangaroo Bay boulevard and the parking arrangements at the Bellerive Yacht Club, an area which is being used, and Council has taken over as a carpark and the access there. I have previously arranged for this, and it took some time because of the Chambroad issue. On 22 August I submitted an elected member's request complete with photos requesting that this pothole ridden connection, which is to use your words Mr Mayor, a jewel in the crown, be repaired. I have asked that it be part of a regular maintenance program as we did with Begonia Street so that we don't have to get in every time. I submitted that request on 22 August, but it didn't appear in the elected member requests. A week later I submitted it again saying it had not appeared in the elected member requests, it still hasn't appeared, but the biggest thing is the potholes are still there. It is an absolute disgrace; my question is can we fix the thing?

**Answer**

(Manager Engineering) We are aware of the potholes in the access driveway to the carpark and we are not taking the opportunity to completely regrade the access road; however, we will be undertaking work to repair the potholes.

(Further information) Due to the nature of this request, it was lodged as a work order rather than an elected member request – hence it did not appear on the usual update to councillors.

2. Is the grading going to start tomorrow?

**Answer**

(Manager Engineering) I will have to clarify when the work order is going to be actioned, but we are aware of the issue.

(Further information) As outlined in the response provided to Councillor Mulder on 27 August 2025, staff had scheduled pothole patching works at this location. The works were undertaken across 8 and 9 September 2025.

Cr Ritchie

1. My question relates the Wentworth Park Master Plan. I understand that is something that will be progressing hopefully later this year and I just wondered if we could have an update on the proposed timeline for that?

**Answer**

Taken on notice.

(Further information) Council adopted funds in the 2024/2025 Annual Plan to master plan the Wentworth Park sport and play precinct. This project will commence after receiving recommendations for the configuration of sporting facilities at Wentworth Park from the Sports Facilities Strategic Plan, which is currently in draft and due to be consulted on with the community later in 2025. The scope of the master plan is to confirm the future development, renewal and upgrades of the sportsground areas, parklands and play space at Wentworth Park.

2. Given the recent media we have seen about the VFL in Tasmania and subsequent to our visit from Stadiums Tasmania in relation to Bellerive Oval, has Council had any further contact from the workshop that we were part of from the Department of State Growth or Stadiums Tasmania in relation to Bellerive Oval since that time?

**Answer**

(Chief Executive Officer) In relation to the Department of State Growth there has been no contact. In regard to Stadiums Tasmania, we provided a briefing to them following the workshop on some of the issues that had been raised, that is the total of action so far.

**10.4 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

A Councillor may ask a Question without Notice of the Chairman or another Councillor or the Chief Executive Officer. Note: the Chairman may refuse to accept a Question without Notice if it does not relate to the activities of the Council. A person who is asked a Question without Notice may decline to answer the question.

Questions without notice and their answers will be recorded in the following Agenda.

The Chairman may refuse to accept a question if it does not relate to Council's activities.

The Chairman may require a question without notice to be put in writing. The Chairman, a Councillor or the Chief Executive Officer may decline to answer a question without notice.

Cr Walker returned to the Meeting at this stage (7.23pm).

**11. CLOSED MEETING**

Regulation 17 of the Local Government (Meetings Procedures) Regulations 2025 provides that Council may consider certain sensitive matters in Closed Meeting.

The following matter was listed in the Closed Meeting section of the Council Agenda in accordance with Regulation 17 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025.

**11.1 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

In accordance with Regulation 17 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025 the reports in the Closed Meeting section of the Council Agenda were dealt with on the grounds that the detail covered in the reports relates to:

- applications by Councillors for a Leave of Absence.

**The content of reports and details of the Council decisions in respect to items listed in “Closed Meeting” are to be kept “confidential” and are not to be communicated, reproduced or published unless authorised by the Council.**

<b>Decision:</b>	<b>PROCEDURAL MOTION</b> <b>MOVED</b> Cr Goyne <b>SECONDED</b> Cr Chong  “That the Meeting be closed to the public to consider Regulation 15 matters, and that members of the public be required to leave the meeting room”.  <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b>
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The Meeting closed at 7.31pm.