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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We start today's meeting by acknowledging and paying respects to the Ieterremairrener and pangerninghe Aboriginal people, the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we are gathered today.

Council pays its respects to their Elders past and present and acknowledges all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders here today.

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1 PRESENT

1.1 Present

Mayor Cr Christina Holmdahl
Deputy Mayor Cr Rick Shegog
Cr Joy Allen
Cr Lynden Ferguson
Cr Caroline Larnier
Cr Geoff Lyons
Cr Josh Manticas
Cr Julie Sladden

1.2 In Attendance

Acting Chief Executive Officer	Dino De Paoli
Director Corporate & Community	David Gregory
Director Planning & Development	Michelle Riley
Director People, Culture & Safety	Richard Heyward
Executive Assistant to the CEO	Eleanor Moore
Manager Communications & Engagement	Simon Tennant
Executive Assistant	Matt Morgan
Chief Financial Officer	Jason Barker
Team Leader - Planning	Krstyna Ennis
Personal Assistant to the CEO and Mayor	Kathryn Prince

1.3 Apologies and Leave of Absence

Leave of absence: Cr Richard Ireland

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held 19 May 2026

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of Council's Ordinary Meeting held on 19 May 2026 numbered 26/78 to 26/94 as provided to Councillors be received and confirmed as a true record of proceedings.

Minute No. 26/95

DECISION

Moved: Cr Allen

Seconded: Cr Lyons

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VOTING

For: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Lerner, Cr Lyons, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Against: Nil

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0

3 LATE ITEMS

Nil

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN A MATTER OF A COUNCILLOR

Cr Manticas - Item 7.1 - As a developer with a childcare centre in the works if I vote for this it could be seen to be trying to create an easier pathway for myself. If I vote against this it could be seen as me trying to limit competition. Either way I vote, there could be a perception of bias. Safer to sit out.

Cr Sladden - Item 11 - Non-pecuniary interest - Neighbour

5 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

5.1 Public Question Time

Commenced at: 1.35pm

Concluded at: 2.19pm

Graeme Hay, Beauty Point

Question 1: There are three questions I'd like the council to address today. I asked three questions on notice. They relate to expenditure of ratepayers' funds. The answers to these questions was refused, stating that public question time is not a platform for making statements, which is directly contrary to what the Mayor just stated. Or asking questions that relate to the confidential personal or legal matters of the council. Therefore, none are able to answer the questions. My question wasn't about legal matters; it was about the expenditure of legal fees of ratepayers' funds in dealing with code of conduct complaints that are on the public record.

As was the case with the Mayor who was pursued vigorously, and with her understanding of transparency and the function of government, she admitted that she used ratepayers' funds - which she was unaware of the law and legislation - and gladly refunded those funds. Why can't the management of the West Tamar Council offer the same degree of integrity that we saw from the Mayor when it comes to expenditure of ratepayers' funds?

Response: *We'll take that question on notice, Mr Hay.*

Question 2: All right, for clarity this afternoon, I've previously raised statements are banned, apparently, by the management of the Council. Would the Mayor please clarify that statements in writing are not acceptable, but statements verbally are acceptable, or both statements, whichever method, are acceptable to the Council?

Response: *I will take that on notice, Mr Hay.*

Question 3: I've read with considerable interest today's agenda in relation to rate rises. Is anybody around this Council Chamber, I'm sure the attendees will be aware, there's records more to me than private insolvencies; consumer confidence is at a 40-year low, as with business confidence; youth unemployment in Tasmania exceeds 12%; Tasmania has the highest rate of unemployment; very large employers in this state are being propped up by the socialist government in Canberra for the purpose of keeping people employed.

Your own records show that your delinquencies for rate payment of rates are approaching 25%. The consensus among respected economists in Australia state, and what would appear obvious to most people, that we're either entering an era of recession or stagflation. When will this Council, appears to be left-wing, pull its head in and stop wasting ratepayers' money? And why the hell have you got ratepayers' - two years' rates, in two years in a row going well above inflation? Is it not time that the Council get back to core activities and service the ratepayers instead of grandiose schemes?

Response: *Thank you, Mr Hay, I'll take that on notice as well.*

Kathryn Edwards, Legana

Statement: I would like to speak to the planning application that is in the minutes today. And I would like to say that a vast majority of the residents in Brigalow Street and the nearby streets do not want this development. It is not in keeping with our quiet, peaceful, residential street, and the neighbourhood sentiment is that there are far more appropriate, accessible, level sites within Legana, if this centre is needed.

This has been the only topic of conversation in the neighbourhood for the past couple of months, and no one wants it here. The development will impact our amenity living in this very quiet area through increased traffic volumes, a very large 3.8-meter wall and fence with a large sign, additional lighting, the on-site or off-site parking challenges, to name a few of the issues.

There is a brand-new childcare centre with parking, good access, wide streets, and additional capacity that has just opened. This is in a commercial area and is purpose-built. The childcare centre is proposed to operate from 7:30 to 6:30 p.m. on weekdays. On page 72 of the Council agenda for section 7, Planning Authority, 8.3.1, operating hours states that the acceptable solution is 8:00 to 6:00. However, the proposed solution is 7:30 to 6:00.

The planning summary states that the acceptable solution is not achieved, as the hours of operation of use listed as discretionary, excluding emergency services, must be within the hours of 8:00 to 6:00. The word "must" is used to express an absolute or mandatory obligation. However, this has been ignored in the planning approval recommendation. And to quote from that section, it is noted that it is only, only 30 minutes earlier than the hours of operation specified for the zone under the acceptable solution.

The recommendation states that the hours of operation are generally aligned to standard daytime activity, and does this include the traffic from staff commencing 30 minutes prior to the children arriving and finishing 30 minutes post the last child leaving, along with the compulsory staff development and staff meetings? The notes on page 72 also does not take into account traffic authority advice on page 93, which provides a summary that the traffic movements will be in excess of the Pitt & Sherry report.

Given the hours of operation, the residents will be impacted by all the additional activity in what is currently a very quiet neighbourhood. Who will ensure compliance to hours, ongoing monitoring, and who will we have redress to for non-compliance and the loss of amenity? This development is not in keeping with Brigalow Street streetscape or the neighbourhood in any way, and will lead to loss of amenity for the residents. The residents do not want this development on this site, and we request that it is not approved.

Response: *Thank you, Ms Edwards.*

Cheryl Swan, Paper Beach

Question 1: As you know, I've been attending Council Meetings best part of 10 years now, and I've often raised the issue of lack of footpaths in areas such as Paper Beach, Swan Point. I've only had a brief look at the budget for this coming year, but I couldn't find anything in there for footpaths in older areas like Paper Beach and Swan Point. I'm just wondering why are those areas being neglected when large, proposed developments that are not basic infrastructure are given priority, such as a further expansion of the Gravelly Beach Foreshore development that's already just had millions spent on it? Why are areas that been established decades before such an area even existed, prior to land reclamation, why are areas such as what I have just talked about being neglected?

Question 2: The other issue that I'd like to raise is the speed limits on various roads. Paper Beach Road is notorious for people taking the lives of the poor native animals regularly. Every week, there's more and more and more animals on the side of the road, in the ditch, on the middle of the road. And yet, even though it's been asked before, the speed limits and notification that, you know, there's wildlife in the area is not being addressed. It's a safety issue, not just for the poor animals, but for us humans as well.

Question 3: And also through Gravelly Beach, we have this wonderful new foreshore area, but there's no reduction in the speed limit and when especially when there's events and there's people parking on the opposite side of the road to the already provided car parking space, it is quite dangerous for families, young youngsters, and people driving through to negotiate pedestrians as well as safely negotiating cars coming and going in that area. So I've raised these issues time and time and time again, and I'm just fobbed off and the issues are never addressed. I'm just wondering isn't it time some of these issues were actually appropriately addressed?

Response: *Ms Swan, with regards to your first question, I will take that on notice because it's not a simple answer*

But with regards to the second question as we all know, driver behaviour is something that that we can't make laws about. We don't have the right to change speed limits. That's a matter for the Department of State Growth in the State Government. But we will respond in writing to both of your questions and I hope that they'll shine some light on your concerns.

Statement: I did notice just this week that someone was thanking the Council for a reduction on speed limits because of native wildlife on a particular road - I can't bring to mind what that particular road was - but that's been done through advocating to this council, and yet I'm ignored.

Response: *Well, I'm sorry about that, but Council can make a request to State Growth to consider changing speed limits or dropping speed limits. But you've got to have a very good reason to do it, and State Growth will always come back and say that speed limits sometimes don't improve driver behaviour. So, I think I'll leave it at that, but we will reply to you. Thank you.*

William Edwards, Legana

Statement: Madam Mayor, councillors. I wish to talk about the development 2 Faye Court. And I'm going to talk about parking. And from the Tasmanian Planning Scheme, Table C2.1 requires one space per employee. This proposal has six places plus one accessible. Proposal is for employees to park off-site, and this is not what the planning scheme requires. The Road Authority has also provided advice to your planning department. On page 94, first paragraph states that providing - should provide one parking space per employee, so six spaces for six employees is acceptable. But this is where it starts to get complicated.

Paragraph five of page 94 brings into play childcare centre at Baden-Powell Terrace, Trevallyn, which has 30 children and a staff of eight, with off-street parking for staff. Projecting this ratio, 36 children would need 10 staff. The plans submitted by Pitt & Sherry show three distinct areas: 10 babies aged zero to two, 10 toddlers aged two to three, and 20 pre-aged school children aged three to five. Six staff would not cover these numbers, as they're outside the Commonwealth regulations. The maximum number of children with six staff would be 28, maybe 34, but not 36. Concerning staff, your assessing officer's comments on page 108, paragraph three, *"The applicant has confirmed the intention to have a maximum of six staff."* It does seem odd to me that you would build a childcare centre that would hold 40 and only have 28 kids. Paragraph three of page 108, staff numbers through the planning scheme are the basis for on-site parking. This site has only six spaces. You can draw your own conclusion.

There is another discrepancy in your Road Authority report: drop-off and pick-up, one space for every four children. That means it should have eight if there's 36. Paragraph—page 94, paragraph two, parking—paragraph three, parking spaces provided for pick-up and drop-off, staff are to park on the street. They can park at either the court, 200 meters away, or Freshwater Point Road, 400 meters away. If I told you that was a fairy story, you'd probably believe me, because you know, and I know, that they're going to park as close as they can to the front door. Page 92, first paragraph, *"Brigalow Street and Bandalong Way have a carriageway that provides sufficient space for on-street parking on one side and maintain two-way passing traffic."* Well, they can park on both sides and have one-lane traffic. Either way, this will be a substantial loss of amenity to those houses on Brigalow Street and Bandalong Way. This is a decision for the Council. Do you make one side of Brigalow Street and Bandalong Way no parking so as to maintain two lanes of traffic? If so, this would greatly add to the loss of amenity suffered by the residents. Faye Court is only 7.4 meters wide, parking on one side.

If we look at traffic movements, page 93, paragraph three, calculations suggest that 29.16 movements, which is rounded up to 30. So the Road Authority estimates 120 movements; Pitt & Sherry, 111. Then we have employees, if we agree that six, that's an extra 12 movements. But if 10 is more realistic, that's another 20 movements. So we're starting to look at our numbers. So we could be up to 140 movements per day. If you look at or consider the possible impact of the surrounding residents for loss of amenity, we should be looking at the worst-case scenario, not downplaying possible consequences which cannot be remedied once the centre has been constructed. Paragraph three of 96 - page 93, paragraph six, the worst-case scenario would be 144 movements plus staff. That could make 184 movements a day. West Tamar Council traffic survey conducted in Brigalow Street

in March this year states an average of 150-something movements per day, so that's in excess of a 100% increase at the intersection corner of Brigalow Street and Faye Court. With staff parking on both sides of Brigalow Street and limiting Brigalow Street to a single lane, this could create an extremely unsafe situation. I hereby submit that the application should be rejected, as it will cause an unreasonable loss of amenity and will have significant and unreasonable adverse impacts on existing residents who should be protected from the negative impacts of the proposed development. Thank you.

Vince Zupan, Legana

Question 1: I spoke last month on this matter in regarding the childcare centre at Faye Court. The first page and a half I have there, they are basically they're lifted from the planner's report and also from the Tasmanian Education and Care Department of Education licensing standards. I just want to go over to the last part of the second page. Under the West Tamar Planning Scheme, they said, okay, there's six parking spots, there's six staff. Okay, so if the centre gets the go-ahead two things can happen. With the six staff, which is five carers and one admin, there's no way that they'll be able to run 30 to 36 kids. I've done heaps and heaps of sums on this. So, there's two things going to happen. The state government's going to say, "All right, you've got your five staff, but you can have 24, 25, 26 kids." Now, the second outcome is that they hire more staff so that they can look after safely the 30 to 36 kids. I have the question for the Council: if the childcare centre, if they choose the first outcome, is there any recourse if they hire more staff? Does this go against the West Tamar Council planning scheme, which says they have to have six staff?

Response: *Because we're going to be debating this I'll take that on notice and for that reason I can't give you an answer at the moment.*

Statement: Just one extra little thing I just I don't want to see it in in the application they said there are six staff, and then the application gets approved, and it's all going and they say, ah, then suddenly they hire extra staff. I think I just don't want to see that because that could be seen as untoward.

Response: *And that will be taken into consideration. Thank you.*

Jan Whiddon, Legana

Statement: I want to talk to the plan proposal of a childcare centre at 2 Faye Court. I was going to ask all the members here who had actually been who have actually been to 2 Faye Court?

So my first objection is the first paragraph on page 69 of this report, which says, "*The council is now sitting as a planning authority,*" which you are, "*Each council acts as the planning authority for their municipality. In this role, councillors consider development applications and make administrative decisions that are based on the council's planning scheme. While councillors are obliged to consider the community views,*" that's us, "*this does not mean they can vote in favour of those views while fulfilling the role of planning authority. Councillors must make planning*

decisions based on whether a planning application is consistent with a local planning scheme, even if members of the community object to that planning scheme," and that is us.

On page 128 of the agenda, concerning the council's workshop held in May and June in '26, under Strategic Plan, the goal was to be an organization that values its people - us, the ratepayers - and delivers for our community. I would suggest that the opening paragraph is not allowing councillors to value its people, and they are required to rubber-stamp the planning authority above us. The ratepayers, who according to your own document on page 195, show in a pie graph that 75% of the Council's income is from general rates - us, the ratepayers. I call upon the Councillors to exercise your right to represent the people of Brigalow Street and the ratepayers and voters of the West Tamar Council.

On page 70 of the agenda, there is listed areas that required discretion of the development standards, which is what we're talking about. Out of the nine shown, which is this one, seven do not meet that requirement. On the performance criteria to allow discretion, P4A on page 73 states under E, *"the need for the use in that location,"* the need. I would put it to Council that there is sufficient childcare centres in the West Tamar area without the need to allow for one more in a residential area. A new childcare centre has just opened in Legana, which we've spoken about. 60 children, up to 90 maybe. There are childcare centres already in Beaconsfield, Exeter, Windsor Childcare Centre here, Abacus Childcare Centre at Trevallyn, early there's an early learning centre at Legana, and also the new one.

I refer back to page 73, P4A criteria for use of discretionary use of residential land. The need for it use in that area. The planning scheme and, if I might refer you to page 109, *"The planning scheme anticipates that community-related uses like childcare centres must be established within residential areas where they are capable of operating in a manner that is compatible with the surrounding neighbourhood. The assessment of this application has therefore focused on the planning merits and the proposal rather than the need for that facility."* It's all about the need of the merits or is it all about the need or the merits of the proposal, which I believe, and many here believe, is flawed under the Tasmanian Planning Scheme, which is your guideline.

The hours do not comply with regulation opening hours, 8:00 to 6:00. I do not believe that your planning people can blindly bend the rule that says 30 minutes is extra is okay. The capacity of the centre: six staff and 36 children. We've already been talking about this. I would deem that you would need somebody to be an administrator. Who's going to take phone calls, accept receptions, who's going to check people collecting children? That is very important. I've worked in childcare. It's very important that the people who enter that building are vetted.

So now we have eight staff and I'm not convinced that the ratios for children in the childcare under Child Care Tasmania have been met. So the car parking spaces, I think we've already spoken about that. It doesn't pass the pub test, I'm sorry. I would go on with the objectives and flaws in this planning approval, but I'd like to ask the Councillors to do as your own goals says and be an organisation that values its people and rejects this proposal on the many areas that do not meet the discretionary guidelines. I would also appeal to your sense of community to the people of Brigalow Street. If you have any hesitation about this, I would ask that

the Councillors and the planners meet with the residents at Brigalow Street and talk to them. To see what...

Moved: Cr Manticas

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog

Extension of Public Question Time for 15 minutes

Statement: (cont.) There are many people who want to speak on this issue.

Response: *Ms Whiddon, I really would like to assure you that our municipal planners don't bend the rules.*

Jan Whiddon: I'm not saying they do.

Response: *Well, you did, you just said that.*

Jan Whiddon: In what in what way?

Response: *Used the words that they bent something to their to their convenience, and we don't.*

Jan Whiddon: I did not say that. I'm sorry, I would like you to tell me exactly what I said.

Response: *Well, I can't go back now, but you did mention that they conveniently bend and we don't.*

Jan Whiddon: No, I said that your first opening statements telling these people they have to rubber-stamp and not use their own discretion at the people of Brigalow Street. I object to that.

Paul Whiddon, Legana

Statement: Again, talking about the proposal for this. Under the objective, discretionary use, do not cause an unreasonable loss of amenities adjacent to adjacent areas. That that's the goal of this. So if you - I got no problems with you making discretionary measures, but it cannot affect the amenities of the area. And in page 52, column A1, it says in regarding to vehicle movement and noise. Page 53, "*the impact on the character of the area and the need for the use in this location.*" Is there a need for it in this location?

There is other areas down off of Acropolis Drive in that new area down there that is flat, wide roads, parents can drop the kids off at the primary school, continue down to the roundabout, drop the infants off at the daycare centre, come out at a roundabout where it's easy access and straight back into town. They don't have to go up, around, and into tight streets. So I don't believe that there is a need for it in this location.

Is there a need for a childcare centre later on? Maybe. Is there a need for it in this location? No, because there are other areas, as discussed, that are already there. Regarding the air conditioner units that have been listed, how many of you have got air-cons at home? How many of your air conditioner units blow out and down?

They all blow straight out. Your approval is on that the air - the noise will go out and down from the air conditioners. You've stated that in your report. Doesn't happen.

So a general noise - yeah, I thought the air conditioners were going to be a major problem. I've done studies and now they are not necessarily a major, major problem in the noise at the moment. But putting them on the roof is done for the purpose that it's space, but being on the roof, they are exposed to the weather and will break down quicker and early - therefore, make more noise earlier. That's going to be a problem. The noise we're going to hear from the air conditioners is the air blowing straight out. Now for 19 Brigalow Street, that's the air blowing into the garage on the small units, but on the big units, it's blowing straight into their lounge - dining room. Okay? The air conditioner units are going to be making extra noise, the noise from the children...

The topography of the area I will now talk about quickly, and I do need to have permission to put some information out to the council.

Response: *That's fine.*

Statement: Okay, now if you look at number one, that shows the topography of the area. Now, it says no major impact on the area. Okay, there's the area in one, all the photos - it's no real estate guide. All right? So, but all the topography - notice some of them do have retaining walls, they're all fairly open to the front.

Part two shows the wall that's going to be built. This is at a height of 3.0—well, 3.8 meters high on this page here you'll see that there's the wall. That is what you're going to see: a black wall 3.8 meters high. There's Bill holding standing up. The blue tape just above his head is the two meters, that's the wall. Then there's going to be another meter and a half on top of that again.

Moved: Cr Manticas

Seconded Cr Allen

Move to give Mr Whiddon an extra 2 minutes

Statement: Okay, now if you look at all of the photos, there they are there showing it, you'll see that the page number four, the angle at 45 degrees, they're still continuing with the wall. If you look at number seven, there's the wall at 45 degrees, and there you are coming out of the street. You've got to get out into the street to see past the wall. Number eight, you'll see shows it looking the other way, down past number 15 Brigalow Street. Easy. And I'm actually three meters back from there, 'cause you can see there's a gutter there, there's a gutter on the other side that I had to go way past to see down the street. So you are going to have a traffic problem. There's no question about that.

So the vehicle movement, the fences have to have, according to the Tasmanian Planning Authority, you must be able to see 30% of the house from the street. Now they're talking about building a wall two meters high and then putting the house on

top of that. We're going to build it so all of the other houses in the street have all been dug into the street. This one is going to be way up in the air. There is nowhere else in the whole of the Legana or the whole of West Tamar that I know of where they've got a 3-meter high wall at the front of their house. 3.8 meters high. So on the topography of the area, there is no way this goes even close to meeting.

Is there a need for it in the area? No. Is it going to affect the topography of the area? Yes. Is the noise going to be a problem? We have nurses, police, correction officers living in our area. Nurses work three shifts a day. They're going to want to be able to come home and sleep or if they finish a night shift, they've got to go back on an afternoon shift, they need sleep.

The correction officer, he has two shifts. He only has a certain amount of time, and he is right next door to the center. He needs his sleep. Mr Shegog came a while back and I will admit Mr Shegog came up and he did not make any comment. He just told us what the process of how we got to go about this. So therefore, these guys are not going to be able to sleep. You made the comment how quiet and peaceful it is here. Thank you.

Peter Kearney, Lanena

Question 1: I've got three questions. The first one is, we have just seen the death of Professor Richard Scolyer. Now, he's a child of the West Tamar. He had deep connections to the West Tamar and to our community. What thought and discussions has the Council been having about finding ways to permanently acknowledge in our community one of Australia's finest?

Response: *I'm pleased to say Mr Kearney yes, in fact, a couple of days after the sad passing of Richard Scolyer, I had a conversation with a couple of people in council as to how we might recognise his connection with the West Tamar. And it was ironic because when I was driving home after that conversation, they were replaying a Conversations program on the ABC where he talked about his days playing football at Bridgenorth and how he loved living in that area. So, please be assured we are talking about it, and hopefully we'll come up with something that will appropriately acknowledge his contribution.*

Question 2: Dark Mofo has opened, over 45,000 entries over 4 days. The Hobart Chair of Business, Edwin Johnstone, said the festival "*put Hobart on the map.*" Small Business Council's Robert Mallett said the event was "*immeasurably important to Hobart*" - those are quotes from the Mercury. I believe Hobart is very successful at being highly parochial. That's okay, because we've got an obligation to fight for our community in our region. I have a slogan that I sort of live by: "*If you don't fight, you lose.*" I also believe that the North is being done over. What leadership is the Council providing to change this situation?

Response: *I will take that on notice, but we do try and capitalize on events that do come North. They don't come very often, I'll agree with you on that. I will take it on notice and we'll let you know exactly what we have done in terms of attracting events to our municipality.*

Question 3: I could suggest we need to try a lot harder. Next question: I have been told that today a Council person will be inspecting maintenance requests for the building at the Exeter childcare centre that's currently owned by the Council to see if the requests for maintenance are valid under the terms of the lease. Has that visit occurred?

Response: *The advice I've been given is that we're not sure whether it will be finished today, but we'll certainly get in touch with you and let you know what the date will be.*

Moved: Cr Manticas

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog

Motion further extension of Public Question Time for 10 minutes

Ross Harrison, Riverside

Statement: Thank you. I'd like to make a statement. I own TasLand Developments and have developed land and most of the housing in the immediate area for over 25 years with planning approval in place for every block of land. Over the years, I've knocked back people wanting to build childcare centres on a single residential block who have had the respect to ask if I would support their proposed development.

I've very carefully controlled units and cluster developments from the beginning to protect residential home family living and lifestyle. A childcare centre of this size should be on double the land size minimum. And this childcare centre will be operating at capacity from day one. Using a closed residential single block of land as a cheap option for this purpose is troublesome in my opinion, particularly when there is approved land for the purpose a couple of streets away.

A Council that allows a childcare centre operator to use public streets, nature strips, driveways, and footpaths for their own personal business benefit, in my opinion, shows inconsistency and lack of community support. Council will carry that risk responsibility into the future when issues do arise. Finally, a traffic report might technically tick all the boxes, but that does not mean it passes the common sense test. Faye Court is soon to be fully developed with over another 20 homes. This intersection will be extremely busy. There are four right-angle street corners within 40 meters of the development and a major intersection at Freshwater Point Road only another 50 meters away. In a few years, Dalrymple Drive will be opened up into Bindaree Road. That traffic will flow into Brigalow Street just 40 meters away. I'm asking Council to very seriously reconsider the recommendation. Thank you.

5.2 Public Questions on Notice

All answers to Questions on Notice have been prepared by the Acting Chief Executive Officer, Dino De Paoli

5.2.1 G Hay, Beauty Point

Question 1: There has been a lot of questions at council regarding clarity in legal fee's paid by the Mayor in Code of Conduct complains so, can rate payers be informed as to how much money has been spent by Council in defending any legal complaints cases started by any councillors in the past 3.5 years, being the term of this current Council, and which party or parties to the cases paid those costs?

Response: *In accordance with section 4.2 of Council's Council Meeting Engagement Policy (WT-HRM73.00), Public Question Time is not a platform for the making of statements or asking of questions that relate to confidential, personnel, or legal matters. Council is therefore unable to provide specific details of any legal action.*

Council's expenditure on legal fees, including the total costs met by the Council during the preceding financial year, are reported in the Annual Report in accordance with section 72 of the Local Government Act 1993.

Question 2: I am sure Councillors will understand a large percentage of rate payers are not well connected with access to public information, and there seems a great deal of mis-information circulating in the community so, could rate payers be informed if any current elected councillors have initiated anti-discrimination or planning permit complaint against the Council and if so, what legal fee's did Council pay for defending any such case's?

Response: *In accordance with section 4.2 of Council's Council Meeting Engagement Policy (WT-HRM73.00), Public Question Time is not a platform for the making of statements or asking of questions that relate to confidential, personnel, or legal matters. Council is therefore unable to provide specific details of any legal action.*

Question 3: Has there been any mediated legal case outcomes in favour of achieving change in Councils zoning enforcement or planning permit decisions or outcomes being favourable in the past 3.5 years the term of this current Council, to any councillor or business owner as litigants which would avoid costly Tribunal proceedings to the rate payers?

Response: *In accordance with section 4.2 of Council's Council Meeting Engagement Policy (WT-HRM73.00), Public Question Time is not a platform for the making of statements or asking of questions that relate to confidential, personnel, or legal matters. Council is therefore unable to provide specific details of any legal action.*

5.3 Responses to Questions from Previous Public Question Time

5.3.1 G Hay, Beauty Point

Our Ref: GO.COU.190

Enquiries: Office of the Chief Executive Officer
Phone : (03) 6323 9300

28 May 2026

Graeme Hay

By email:

Dear Mr Hay

Response to Questions on Notice – Ordinary Council Meeting 19 May 2026

I refer to the questions set out below taken on notice at the West Tamar Council meeting on 19 May 2026, and now provide the following responses:

Question 1: *My first question is - I like to quote Oscar Wilde - "once may be a misfortune, but twice begins to look like carelessness."*

As we're not allowed to comment about the negative performance of West Tamar Council and their staff, maybe I'll leave it up to the Councillors and the staff to comment on, in the space of two days, two West Tamar Council vehicles were filled up with the wrong type of fuel. Who pays for that?

There is no evidence of two Council vehicles being filled up with the incorrect fuel within the space of two days.

There has been one recent incident, one incident some months ago, and an incident approximately 10 years ago.

In both incidents occurring in the last year there have been no costs incurred outside of the fuel. The cost of the fuel is born by Council.

Question 2: *My second question might find rather strange. It's actually a comment, a compliment to Miss Allen and the Mayor. Who showed some empathy to a member of the public... [redacted from the audio in accordance with Regulation 43(8)(b) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025].*

And it was by the good fortune of the Mayor and Joy Allen who somehow managed to find accommodation for her. In fact, I'm informed that they went well beyond that and making an offer which she was very grateful for. Could the two Councillors explain to us lowlife and the general public and ratepayers, how you managed to organise in very short time appropriate accommodation for this lovely lady?



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It is inappropriate for the private circumstances of a resident to be discussed in a public forum.

Question 3: *As you know I'm regularly banned from attending the Council. On claims that my questions are a psychosocial hazard to the Councillors and the staff.*

Regardless, these questions that I ask, they're part of a democracy and free speech in communications. To continue use of the Work Safe Act by the General Manager to gag and ban attendance at public meetings, when the opinion of a very large number of people who have viewed the video recordings of the questions and rate them as fair and equitable, and reasonable questions under the circumstances.

Does the General Manager understand the claims of psychosocial damage? She is trivialising these claims and rejecting me from public meetings. In fact, to be absolutely precise because the tone and the style of my questions... and using the Act in such a trivial manner, does the General Manager hold the view that she actually is reducing the intent of the Act to deal with serious matters of abuse and psychosocial hazards in the workplace?

The reasons for your restrictions from attending Council meetings have been provided to you each time a restriction has been put in place. You have also been provided with the behavioural expectations that apply to any member of the public who attend Council meetings when those restrictions have ceased.

Your questions can and have posed a psychological safety risk to staff and Councillors and, as such, restrictions from physically attending Council meetings have been imposed by me. That being said at no time have you been restricted from providing questions on notice, if they meet the requirements of the WTC-HRM 73.00 Council Meeting Engagement Policy and the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025*.

At no time have I curtailed your free speech or stopped you from asking difficult questions, I simply expect that these questions are put in a respectful manner in accordance with Council policies and the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025*.

I do have a detailed knowledge of the issues relating to psychological safety of staff and Councillors.

I do not agree that I am reducing the intent or trivialising the serious issue of psychological safety. To not have addressed your previous behaviours would see me breaching my obligations under the *Work Health and Safety Act 2012* (the **Act**).

I will not apologise for prioritising a safe workplace for my staff and Councillors – this is not trivialising the Act but rather ensuring that there is clarity about what is acceptable behaviour in our workplace. If anything, this reinforces the importance of a psychologically safe workplace and that I take my obligations under the Act seriously.

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Yours sincerely



Kristen Desmond
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday 16 June 2026

5.3.2 J Ford, Legana

Our Ref: GO.COU.190

Enquiries: Office of the Chief Executive Officer
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Josephine Ford
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Dear Miss Ford

Response to Question on Notice – Ordinary Council Meeting 19 May 2026

I refer to the question set out below taken on notice at the West Tamar Council meeting on 19 May 2026, and now provide the following response:

Question 1: *What I want to ask the Council is, why have I been charged for a waste disposal bin that I have not had for years? And which I actually returned to Council some years ago when they dropped it off again. I actually took it down to Council chambers and I actually put a note on the bin informing Council that I did not want this bin anymore as I have never used it.*

I don't have waste, food waste. I have a compost, which—I am a vegetarian. And whatever waste, food waste I might have at different times, very rarely, I give it to my friend who has chooks.

But Council, for some reason or another, have continued, even though they know that I do not have the bin, they have continued to charge me, a pensioner I will stress, for a bin that I do not have, do not require. And I think Madam Mayor, I think when I brought it up quite some time ago, you told me that it was Council's policy for me to have a bin. Now, what has happened to my right as a person to have choice? What has happened to freedom of choice? I chose not to have the bin because I have no use for it. So as I said, why have I been forced, and I say forced, to pay for a bin that I haven't had for years?

Council applies a waste management service charge to all properties within the municipality that are supplied with a waste collection service, in accordance with its Rates and Charges Policy. The amount of the service charge is approved by Council each year as part of its budget approval process for the forthcoming financial year. The service charge is required to pay the costs associated with general waste and recycling collection and disposal.

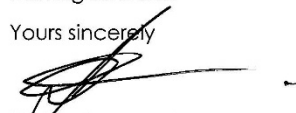
As per Council's letter to you dated 9 August 2019, the provision of a collection service for waste and recycling is not an opt-in or opt-out service.



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Our records show that you still have a recycling bin and Council is able to provide you with a general waste wheelie bin should you wish to make use of this service again moving forward.

Yours sincerely



Kristen Desmond
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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5.3.3 K Mclvor, Gravelly Beach

Our Ref: GO.COU.190

Enquiries: Office of the Chief Executive Officer
Phone : (03) 6323 9300

28 May 2026

Kate Mclvor



By email: 

Dear Ms Mclvor



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Response to Question on Notice – Ordinary Council Meeting 19 May 2026

I refer to the question set out below taken on notice at the West Tamar Council meeting on 19 May 2026, and now provide the following response:

Question 1: *[re Fire Hydrant line markings] I'd like to know whose responsibility it is, and why it hasn't been done, and if it has, why are jobs signed off when the fire hydrant markers are not painted on again?*

Council's road resealing contract for the 2025/26 financial year includes the requirement for our contractor to reinstate any hydrant road markings covered over by the resealing work. Prior to this current financial year, the reinstatement of hydrant markings was not part of our contracts, and was noted to be the responsibility of TasWater. Long Plains Road and Loop Road hydrant markings were not required to be reinstated by Council's contractor at the time.

Council officers have contacted TasWater in relation to Long Plains Road and Loop Road reinstatement of hydrant markings.

Officers have also been in contact with a representative from the Glengarry Volunteer Fire Brigade to discuss this matter.

We will continue to liaise with TasWater and Glengarry Volunteer Fire Brigade in relation to the progress of the reinstatement.

Yours sincerely



Kristen Desmond
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

6 ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S DECLARATION

"I certify that with respect to all advice, information or recommendation provided to Council with this agenda:

1. the advice, information or recommendation is given by a person who has the qualifications or experience necessary to give such advice, information or recommendation;
2. where any advice is given directly to council by a person who does not have the required qualifications or experience that person has obtained and taken into account in that person's general advice the advice from an appropriately qualified or experienced person; and
3. a copy or written transcript of the advice received has been provided to council."



Dino De Paoli

ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

"Notes: Section 65(1) of the *Local Government Act 1993 (Tas)* requires the General Manager to ensure that any advice, information or recommendation given to the council (or a council committee) is given by a person who has the qualifications or experience necessary to give such advice, information or recommendation. Section 65(2) forbids council from deciding any matter which requires the advice of a qualified person without considering that advice."

At West Tamar Council, the title Chief Executive Officer is a term of reference for the General Manager as appointed by Council pursuant to section 61 of the *Local Government Act 1993 (Tas)*. For the avoidance of doubt, Chief Executive Officer means General Manager for the purposes of the *Local Government Act 1993 (Tas)* and all other legislation administered by or concerning Council.

6.1 MOTION

MOTION

Moved: Cr Larner

Seconded: Cr Sladden

That Council deal with Agenda Item 17.2 which is Motions without Notice by bringing it forward in the Agenda prior to Item 12.1

VOTING

For: Cr Larner

Against: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Lyons, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Abstained: Nil

LOST 1/7

7 PLANNING AUTHORITY

Council is now sitting as a planning authority. Each council acts as the planning authority for their municipality. In this role, councillors consider development applications and make administrative decisions that are based on the council's planning scheme. While councillors are obliged to consider the community's views, this does not mean they can vote in favour of those views while fulfilling the role of a planning authority. Councillors must make planning decisions based on whether a planning application is consistent with the local planning scheme, even if members of the community object to the planning proposal.

7.1 Plan 1 - PA2025327 - Educational and Occasional Care (Childcare Centre) - 2 Faye Court, Legana

REPORT AUTHOR: Statutory Planner - Dee Yuvanesan

REPORT DATE: 1 June 2026

ATTACHMENTS:

1. [7.1.1] Attachment 1 - Plan 1 - Location Plan
2. [7.1.2] Attachment 2 - Plan 1 - Proposal Plans

*Team Leader - Planning entered the meeting at 2.19pm
Cr Manticas left the meeting at 2:21 pm*

RECOMMENDATION

That application PA2025327 be determined as follows:

- (a) the requested variations comply with the relevant performance criteria and be supported;
- (b) matters raised by the representors have been considered but do not alter the assessment against the Scheme or the recommendation; and

That the application for Educational and Occasional Care: Childcare Centre, by Ignite Dreams Pty Ltd Pitt & Sherry obo Pawinee Eainsa-Ad, for land at 2 Faye Court, Legana Lot No.141 on Plan No. 187296 be **APPROVED** subject to the following conditions:

ENDORSED PLANS

1. The use and development must be substantially in accordance with the following endorsed documents:
 - (a) Plans by Prime Design, reference no. PD24423 and dated May 2026.
 - (b) Traffic Impact Assessment, prepared by Pitt & Sherry Rev 01 dated 09 April 2026.
 - (c) Noise Assessment, prepared by Pitt & Sherry Rev 01 dated 02 February 2026.

Any other development and/or use, or substantial intensification of the approved use, may require separate assessment and a fresh application should be submitted to Council.

HOURS OF OPERATION

2. The hours of operation, excluding office and administration tasks, must be confined to:
 - (a) Monday to Friday, 7.30 am to 6.00 pm.
3. Deliveries to and from the site by commercial vehicles must be confined to:
 - (a) Monday to Friday, 8.00 am – 6.00 pm.

CENTRE CAPACITY

4. The maximum capacity of the child care centre must not exceed thirty-six (36) children. The number of children on site must not exceed this limit at any time.

STAFF NUMBERS

5. The maximum number of employees on-site at any given time must not exceed six (6), inclusive of educators and any support staff.

TASWATER

6. The development must be in accordance with the Submission to Planning Authority Notice issued by TasWater (TWDA 2025/01240-WTC) attached.

TASNETWORKS

7. The development must be in accordance with the advice of TasNetworks (TasNetworks reference number CN25-262323).

RETAINING WALL

8. Prior to commencement of any works, the applicant must submit detailed engineering plans of the proposed retaining wall on the northwestern side boundary. The plans must show to the Council's satisfaction that the proposed wall, including footings, would be entirely within the site boundary and not undermine existing or potential development on the adjoining land.

DRIVEWAY AND PARKING AREA CONSTRUCTION

9. Before commencement of the use, parking bays and access ways as shown on the endorsed plans must:
 - (a) be line-marked or otherwise delineated to indicate each car space and access lane;
 - (b) be properly constructed to such levels that they can be used in accordance with the plans, especially any accessible parking spaces which must be in accordance with Australian Standard AS/NZ2890.6-2009 Off-street parking for people with disabilities;
 - (c) be surfaced with an all-weather impervious surface; and
 - (d) be adequately drained to prevent stormwater being discharged to neighbouring property.Parking areas and access lanes must be kept available for these purposes at all times and maintained for the life of the use.
10. A minimum of six (6) parking spaces, including one (1) accessible space, must be provided on-site, as shown on the endorsed plans. With the exception of the accessible space, all parking spaces must be signed for pick-up and drop-off only. Employees must not park vehicles on the site during operating hours.
11. A minimum of two (2) bicycle parking spaces must be provided on site in the location shown on the endorsed plans, for use by customers and staff.

VEHICULAR CROSSING

12. Prior to the commencement of the use, the existing site crossover must be upgraded to provide provision for two-way passing traffic, with the following design criteria:
 - (a) Be 5.5m wide;
 - (b) Be positioned so the driveway apron has at least one metre of horizontal clearance to any existing street light pole or electrical turret;
 - (c) Where adjacent to communications infrastructure, pit lids shall either be offset from new driveway apron, or replaced with a trafficable lid, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority;

- (d) Where a crossover is widened, the transition in the kerb and footpath must also be widened; and
- (e) Be in accordance with Council Standard Drawings, in particular TSD-R09.

13. Works in the road reserve shall not commence until a Driveway Crossing Application Form has been submitted to Council and approved by the Road Authority.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

14. Prior to the commencement of works (including vegetation removal), a construction management plan must be submitted detailing how soil and water is to be managed during the construction process to prevent the escape of soil and sediments beyond site boundaries. This plan must clearly set out the property owner's obligations for erection, inspection and maintenance of all control measures approved. The management plan must include the following:
- (a) date and author;
 - (b) property boundaries, location of adjoining roads and other public land if any, impervious surfaces, underground services and existing drainage, contours, approximate grades of slope, directions of fall, north point and scale;
 - (c) general soil description;
 - (d) location and types of all existing vegetation, location and amount of proposed ground disturbance, limit of clearing, grading and filling and the proposed location of soil, sand, topsoil and other material stockpiles;
 - (e) critical natural areas such as drainage lines, cliffs, wetlands and unstable ground;
 - (f) location of vegetation to be retained and removed;
 - (g) location of stabilised site access;
 - (h) initial and final contours, location of watercourses, surface drainage and existing stormwater infrastructure;
 - (i) stormwater discharge point, if proposed;
 - (j) location of all proposed temporary drainage control measures;
 - (k) construction details;
 - (l) location and details of all proposed erosion control measures;
 - (m) location and details of all proposed measures to minimize dust generation and emission beyond the site boundaries;
 - (n) location and details of all proposed sediment control measures;
 - (o) a statement of who is responsible for establishing and maintaining erosion and sediment control measures;
 - (p) site rehabilitation or landscaping/revegetation program;
 - (q) estimated dates for start and finish of the works including installation sequence of different erosion and sediment controls;
 - (r) any information required to address soil, water and dust control measures required to accommodate staging of the proposal; and
 - (s) outline of the maintenance program for erosion and sediment controls. This must include weekly inspection as well as before and after every rain event and a reporting schedule to Council.

Works must not commence prior to the approval of the Construction Management Plan by the Director of Community Assets or their delegate. The approved plan must be implemented with the commencement of works on site and maintained during construction to ensure soil erosion and dust are appropriately managed to reasonably maintain the amenity of adjoining and nearby properties and public land. A copy of the approved Construction Management Plan must be on the site at all times. All on-ground workers must be aware of and understand the plan.

COMMENCED DEVELOPMENT STOP

Where development has commenced on site and then stops for two weeks or more, interim stormwater, erosion and dust control measures must be installed and maintained on site to

ensure overland flows do not become a nuisance to adjoining properties or Council's infrastructure until work recommences. The measures must include weekly inspections and reporting to Council as well as before and after every rain event to the satisfaction of the Director of Community Assets or their delegate. This may require a revision of the approved Construction Management Plan – any changes must be approved by the Director of Community Assets or their delegate.

LIGHTING

15. Any external lighting, with the exception of security lighting, must be turned off when the use is not operating. Exterior and security lighting must be designed, located and baffled so that no direct light is emitted beyond the site boundaries.

OUTDOOR STORAGE AREAS

16. Goods, equipment, packaging, machinery and the like must not be stored outside a building so as to be visible from the public road, or any public thoroughfare or public place.

NOISE

17. Prior to the commencement of any works, the applicant must submit detailed plans and specifications of building's fixed plant. The plans and specifications must show to the Council's satisfaction that the fixed plant will be as shown in the endorsed plans and documents. In particular, the plans and specifications must confirm the assumptions made in the equipment noise source details (Table 1) of the Noise Assessment prepared by Pitt & Sherry, dated 02 February 2026, Rev 01. If the detailed plans and specifications are not consistent with the endorsed plans, and do not confirm the assumptions made in the Noise Assessment, an addendum to the Noise Assessment must be undertaken by a suitably qualified person and provided to Council upon its completion to the satisfaction of the Director Planning and Development. This addendum will form part of this permit.
18. If a noise complaint is received by Council in regards to the use, and a relevant officer forms a reasonable suspicion that the noise exceeds that anticipated or approved in the endorsed report, an additional noise study must be undertaken by a suitably qualified person, and the report provided to Council upon its completion and any mitigation works required must be completed within a timeframe specified by Council to the satisfaction of the Director Planning and Development

SIGNS

19. The approved signage must not be illuminated without further approval.

WASTE DISPOSAL

20. Trade waste disposal bins must be provided on the site. The bins provided must not occupy or obstruct access to car parking or loading areas indicated on the endorsed plans.
21. All waste streams (waste, recycling, organic etc) generated by the use approved by this Permit must be disposed of in accordance with the requirements of a Waste Management Plan submitted to Council and approved by the Director Planning and Development prior to commencement of the use. This plan must include:
 - (a) Details of all waste streams including quantity;
 - (b) Details of storage, collection and disposal of all waste streams;

- (c) Details and evidence of contracts held in regards to waste collection and disposal, including frequency; and
- (d) Any other specific measures.

Permit Notes

Notations

- A. This permit was issued based on the proposal documents submitted for PA2025327. You should contact Council with any other use or developments, as they may require the separate approval of Council.
- B. This permit takes effect after:
 - (a) The 14-day appeal period expires; or
 - (b) Any appeal to the Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal is abandoned or determined; or
 - (c) Any agreement that is required by this permit pursuant to Part 5 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* is executed; or
 - (d) Any other required approvals under this or any other Act are granted.
- C. This permit is valid for two (2) years only from the date of approval and will thereafter lapse if the development is not substantially commenced. An extension may be granted subject to the provisions of the *Land use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* as amended, by a request to Council.

Other Approvals

- D. This permit does not imply that any other approval required under any other by-law or legislation has been granted.

Appeal Provisions

- E. A planning appeal may be instituted by lodging a notice of appeal with the Registrar of the Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal.

A planning appeal may be instituted within 14 days of the date the Corporation serves notice of the decision on the applicant.

For more information see the Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal website www.tascat.tas.gov.au.

Permit Commencement

- F. If an applicant is the only person with a right of appeal pursuant to section 61 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* and wishes to commence the use or development for which the permit has been granted within the 14-day period, the Council must be so notified in writing. A copy of Council's Notice to Waive Right of Appeal is attached.

Minute No. 26/96

MOTION

Moved: Cr Ferguson

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog

That application PA2025327 be determined as follows:

- (a) the requested variations do not comply with the relevant performance criteria and are not supported;
- (b) the application cannot be reasonably conditioned to comply with the relevant performance criteria;
- (c) matters raised by the representors have been considered in the assessment against the Scheme; and

That the application for Educational and Occasional Care: Childcare Centre, by Ignite Dreams Pty Ltd, for land at 2 Faye Court, Legana Lot No.141 on Plan No. 187296 be **REFUSED** on the following grounds:

- The proposed retaining wall and front fence does not comply with Clause 8.5.1 Performance Criteria P1 & P4, as the setback and height of the structure it is not compatible with the streetscape of Brigalow Street and Faye Court.
- The proposed development does not comply with Clause C3.5.1 Performance Criteria P1 as vehicle traffic from the development will adversely affect the safety and efficiency of the road, with regard to the increased traffic and nature of traffic generated by the use.
- The proposed development does not comply with Clause C2.5.1 Performance Criteria P1.1 as the onsite parking has been allocated solely for customer pick-up and drop-off and no onsite parking has been provided to meet employee demand. On-site parking does not meet the reasonable needs of the use while considering the availability and accessibility of on-street parking and streetscape.

VOTING

For: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Lerner, Cr Lyons and Cr Sladden

Against: Nil

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 7/0

Team Leader - Planning left the meeting at 2.40pm

8 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

8.1 CEO 1 - Council Workshops held in May and June 2026

REPORT AUTHOR: Acting Chief Executive Officer - Dino De Paoli

REPORT DATE: 9 June 2026

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

Cr Manticas entered the meeting at 2:41 pm

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the report on Council Workshops held on 19 May and 2 June 2026.

Minute No. 26/97

DECISION

Moved: Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog

Seconded: Cr Lyons

That Council receives the report on Council Workshops held on 19 May and 2 June 2026.

VOTING

For: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Larner, Cr Lyons, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Against: Nil

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0

8.2 CEO 2 - Northern Tasmania Development Corporation (NTDC) Quarterly Report - January to March 2026

REPORT AUTHOR: Acting Chief Executive Officer - Dino De Paoli

REPORT DATE: 10 June 2026

ATTACHMENTS: 1. [8.2.1] NTDC Quarterly Report January - March 2026

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Northern Tasmania Development Corporation Ltd Quarterly Report for the period 1 January 2026 to 31 March 2026.

Minute No. 26/98

DECISION

Moved: Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog

Seconded: Cr Sladden

That Council receives and notes the Northern Tasmania Development Corporation Ltd Quarterly Report for the period 1 January 2026 to 31 March 2026.

VOTING

For: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Larner, Cr Lyons, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Against: Nil

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0

9 GOVERNANCE

9.1 Gov 1 - Draft Terms of Reference - Rowella Hall Committee

REPORT AUTHOR: Director Corporate & Community - David Gregory

Governance Officer - Tom Chalmers

REPORT DATE: 10 June 2026

ATTACHMENTS: 1. [9.1.1] WT-TORxx.00 - Rowella Hall Committee Terms of Reference - June 2026

RECOMMENDATION

That Council, pursuant to section 24 of the *Local Government Act 1993*:

1. Adopts the Terms of Reference for the Rowella Hall Committee as presented, effective 16 June 2026;
2. Allocates a new Terms of Reference number of 3.00;
3. Updates the version number to 1.00; and
4. Approves a review date of June 2028.

Minute No. 26/99

MOTION

Moved: Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog

Seconded: Cr Allen

That Council, pursuant to section 24 of the *Local Government Act 1993*:

1. Adopts the Terms of Reference for the Rowella Hall Committee as presented, effective 16 June 2026, with the following amendments:
 - That section 4.2 Annual General Meetings is amended to include the text:

"If a person is are unable attend the AGM and wishes to nominate for the committee, they must provide their nomination to the Secretary of that committee with the nominees and one residents signature, one week before the AGM date."
 - That section 5.3 Office Bearers is amended to append the text:

"In exceptional circumstances, the terms of an Office Bearer may be reduced from two (2) years to one (1) year by a resolution of the Committee. The rotation of Office Bearers is to resume at the next opportune time."
 - That section 5.1 Composition is amended to remove the last line and include the text:

"This cannot include Councillors not otherwise appointed as Councillor Members by Council."

- That section 5.11 Proxy Nomination is amended by replacing on the last line after *"Community Members"* with *"is to be by a resolution of the Committee for recommendation to Council for approval"*
2. Allocates a new Terms of Reference number of 3.00;
 3. Updates the version number to 1.00; and
 4. Approves a review date of June 2028.

VOTING

For: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Larner, Cr Lyons, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Against: Nil

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0

9.2 Gov 2 - Draft Terms of Reference - Winkleigh Hall Committee

REPORT AUTHOR: Director Corporate & Community - David Gregory
Governance Officer - Tom Chalmers

REPORT DATE: 10 June 2026

ATTACHMENTS: 1. [9.2.1] WT-TORxx.00 - Winkleigh Hall Committee Terms of Reference - June 2026

RECOMMENDATION

That Council, pursuant to section 24 of the *Local Government Act 1993*:

1. Adopts the Terms of Reference for the Winkleigh Hall Committee as presented, effective 16 June 2026;
2. Allocates a new Terms of Reference number of 4.00;
3. Updates the version number to 1.00; and
4. Approves a review date of June 2028.

Minute No. 26/100

MOTION

Moved: Cr Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Lyons

That Council, pursuant to section 24 of the *Local Government Act 1993*:

1. Adopts the Terms of Reference for the Winkleigh Hall Committee as presented, effective 16 June 2026, with the following amendment:
 - That section 4.2 Annual General Meetings is amended to include the text:

"If a person is are unable attend the AGM and wishes to nominate for the committee, they must provide their nomination to the Secretary of that committee with the nominees and one residents signature, one week before the AGM date."
 - That section 5.3 Office Bearers is amended to append the text:

In exceptional circumstances, the terms of an Office Bearer may be reduced from two (2) years to one (1) year by a resolution of the Committee. The rotation of Office Bearers is to resume at the next opportune time.
 - That section 5.1 Composition is amended to remove the last line and include the text:

"This cannot include Councillors not otherwise appointed as Councillor Members by council."

- That section 5.11 Proxy Nomination is amended by replacing on the last line after *"Community Members"* with *"is to be by a resolution of the Committee for recommendation to Council for approval"*
- 2. Allocates a new Terms of Reference number of 4.00;
- 3. Updates the version number to 1.00; and
- 4. Approves a review date of June 2028.

VOTING

For: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Larner, Cr Lyons, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Against: Nil

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0

10 SPECIAL COMMITTEES

10.1 Special 1 - Youth Advisory Council Minutes - May

REPORT AUTHOR: Youth Development Officer - Kirsten Howard

REPORT DATE: 14 May 2026

ATTACHMENTS: 1. [10.1.1] YAC Minutes - May 14 2026

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the minutes as presented for the Youth Advisory Council Meeting held on 14 May 2026.

Director Corporate & Community entered the meeting at 2.56pm

Minute No. 26/101

DECISION

Moved: Cr Allen

Seconded: Cr Ferguson

That Council receives and notes the minutes as presented for the Youth Advisory Council Meeting held on 14 May 2026.

VOTING

For: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Lerner, Cr Lyons, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Against: Nil

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0

10.2 Special 2 - Positive Ageing Committee Minutes - May

REPORT AUTHOR: Community Development Officer - Todd Mitchell

REPORT DATE: 4 June 2026

ATTACHMENTS: 1. [10.2.1] Positive Ageing Committee Meeting Minutes - May 2026

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the minutes as presented for the West Tamar Positive Ageing Committee meeting held on 25 May 2026.

Minute No. 26/102

DECISION

Moved: Cr Sladden

Seconded: Cr Allen

That Council receives and notes the minutes as presented for the West Tamar Positive Ageing Committee meeting held on 25 May 2026.

VOTING

For: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Lerner, Cr Lyons, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Against: Nil

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0

Director Corporate & Community left the meeting at 3.00pm

11 DEVELOPMENT

11.1 Dev 1 - Petition to Amend a Sealed Plan - 21 Danbury Drive, Legana

REPORT AUTHOR: Statutory Planner - Patrick McMahon

REPORT DATE: 09 June 2026

ATTACHMENTS: 1. [11.1.1] Attachment 1 - Petition to Amend Sealed Plan
2. [11.1.2] Attachment 2 - Blank Instrument Form

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Authorise the signing and sealing of the Request to Amend a Sealed Plan form (Attachment 2) by the Chief Executive Officer and Mayor; and
2. Return that form to Ross A Hart, the solicitor of Ashleigh K Atkinson for further processing.

Team Leader - Planning entered the meeting at 3.01pm

Cr Sladden left the meeting at 3:01 pm

Minute No. 26/103

DECISION

Moved: Cr Lyons

Seconded: Cr Larner

That Council:

1. Authorise the signing and sealing of the Request to Amend a Sealed Plan form (Attachment 2) by the Chief Executive Officer and Mayor; and
2. Return that form to Ross A Hart, the solicitor of Ashleigh K Atkinson for further processing.

VOTING

For: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Larner, Cr Lyons and Cr Manticas

Against: Nil

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 7/0

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday 16 June 2026

Team Leader - Planning left the meeting at 3.07pm

Cr Sladden entered the meeting at 3:07 pm

12 CORPORATE

12.1 Corp 1 - 2026/2027 Estimates and Rates and Charges

REPORT AUTHOR: Chief Financial Officer - Jason Barker CPA

REPORT DATE: 3 June 2026

ATTACHMENTS: 1. [12.1.1] Budget Summary 2026-27

RECOMMENDATION

That Council by absolute majority:

1. pursuant to section 82 of the *Local Government Act 1993* adopts the 2026/2027 Estimates; and
2. makes rates and charges for the period 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027 in accordance with the following resolutions:

RESOLUTIONS:

1) General Rate

- a) That pursuant to section 90 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act) Council makes the following General Rate in relation to all rateable land (excluding land which is exempt pursuant to the provisions of section 87) within the West Tamar Municipal Area for the period commencing 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027, namely a rate of 6.413 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value of the land;
- b) That pursuant to section 107 of the Act, by reason of the use or predominate use of the land described below being for residential purposes, Council declares that the general rate shall be varied by increasing it by 0.19 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value to 6.603 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value of the land within the area identified by that part of the Launceston Urban Fire Brigade District located in the West Tamar Municipal Area as depicted on plan No. LD674a lodged with the Department of Environment and Land Management and the revenue raised from the variation in the General Rate be applied to the development of Windsor Park; and
- c) That pursuant to section 90 (4) of the Act, Council sets a minimum amount payable in respect of the general rate of \$240.00.
- d) That pursuant to section 129(4) of the Act, Council grants a remission of the rates paid or payable by the owners of land who have entered into a conservation covenant (from both the Protected Areas on Private Land and the Private Forest Reserves Programs) pursuant to the *Nature Conservation Act 2002* of:
 - i) \$6.00 per hectare; and
 - ii) with a minimum remission per rateable property of \$60.00 and a maximum remission per rateable property of \$600.00.

- e) That pursuant to section 129(4) of the Act, upon application by a registered Tasmanian fire service volunteer, Council grants a remission of the annual fire service contribution paid or payable on their principal place of residence.
- f) That pursuant to section 129(4) of the Act Council grants a remission of 100% of all council rates paid or payable by the ratepayers (the lessees/licences) holding Crown leases/licences for jetties/boatshed/slipways subject to the following criteria
 - i) the lessee/licencee must be a ratepayer of the West Tamar Municipal Area; and
 - ii) the land subject to the lease/licence must adjoin the lessee's/licencee's land and the Tamar River or Bass Strait; and
 - iii) the land subject to the lease/licence must be for the purpose of a jetty/boatshed/slipway and used only for private recreational purposes pertaining to the lessee; and
 - iv) the land subject to the lease/licence has no separate council service supplied and connected to that land.

2) Service Rates and Service Charges

That pursuant to sections 93 and 94 of the Act, Council makes the following service rates and service charges in respect of all rateable land within the West Tamar Municipal Area (including land which is otherwise exempt from rates pursuant to section 87 of the Act but excluding Crown Land to which council does not supply any of the following services) for the period commencing on the 1st day of July 2026 and ending on the 30th day of June 2027 namely:

- a) A service charge for waste management (garbage removal) in respect of all lands to which council supplies a waste management service as follows:
 - i) \$271.00 for an 80-litre mobile garbage bin and one 140-litre mobile recycle bin;
 - ii) \$349.00 for a 140-litre mobile garbage bin and one 140-litre mobile recycle bin;
 - iii) \$476.00 for a 240-litre mobile garbage bin and one 140-litre mobile recycle bin;
 - iv) \$112.00 for a 240-litre mobile organic bin.

3) Separate Apportionments

For the purposes of this resolution the rates and charges shall apply to each parcel of land that is shown as being separately valued in the valuation list prepared under the *Valuation of Land Act 2001*.

4) Fire Service Contribution

Pursuant to section 93A of the Act Council makes the following service rates in respect of the Fire Service Contributions it must collect under the *Fire Service Act 1979* for the rateable parcels of land within the municipal area of West Tamar Municipal Area:

- a) for land within the Launceston Permanent Brigade Rating District, a service rate of 0.992 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value;
- b) for land within the volunteer Beaconsfield, Gravelly Beach, Kelso and Legana Volunteer Brigade Rating District, a service rate of 0.276 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value; and

- c) For land within the General Land Brigade Rating District, a service rate of 0.254 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value.

Pursuant to section 90(3) of the Act Council sets the following minimum amounts payable in respect of this rate:

- Launceston Permanent Brigade Rating District \$52.00;
- Beaconsfield, Gravelly Beach, Kelso and Legana Volunteer Brigade Rating District \$52.00;
- General Land \$52.00.

5) Interest

That pursuant to section 128 of the Act if any rate or instalment is not paid on or before the date it falls due then there is payable a daily interest charge of 0.0291671% in respect of the unpaid rate or instalment for the period during which it is unpaid.

6) Rates payments

Pursuant to section 124 of the Act, Council:

- a) permits all ratepayers to pay rates by instalments instead of by one payment, if ratepayers so elect;
- b) determines that if all rates are paid by one payment, then the date by which the rates are due to be paid shall be 30 September 2026;
- c) decides that where rates are payable by instalments, then they shall be paid by four approximately equal instalments and determines that the dates by which such instalments are to be paid shall be as follows:
- i) the first instalment on or before 31 August 2026;
 - ii) the second instalment on or before 30 October 2026;
 - iii) the third instalment on or before 26 February 2027; and
 - iv) the fourth instalment on or before 30 April 2027.

7) Discount for early payment

Pursuant to section 130 of the Act, Council offers to all ratepayers who pay the whole of the rates specified in the rates notice in one payment on or before 30 September 2026, a discount of 1% upon the current rates and charges.

8) Adjusted values

For the purposes of each of these resolutions any reference to assessed annual value includes a reference to that value as adjusted pursuant to section 89 of the Act.

9) Words and Expressions

Words and expressions used both in these resolutions and in the *Local Government Act 1993* or the *Fire Service Act 1979* have in these resolutions the same respective meanings as they had in those Acts.

Chief Financial Officer entered the meeting at 3.08pm

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved: Cr Larner

That the motion be deferred to the next ordinary meeting of council.

Point of Order called by Cr Shegog at 3.08pm

Motion rejected as the substantive motion was not yet under discussion.

MOTION

Moved: Cr Manticas

Seconded: Cr Lyons

That Council by absolute majority:

1. pursuant to section 82 of the *Local Government Act 1993* adopts the 2026/2027 Estimates; and
2. makes rates and charges for the period 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027 in accordance with the following resolutions:

RESOLUTIONS:

1. General Rate

- a. That pursuant to section 90 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act) Council makes the following General Rate in relation to all rateable land (excluding land which is exempt pursuant to the provisions of section 87) within the West Tamar Municipal Area for the period commencing 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027, namely a rate of 6.413 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value of the land;
- b. That pursuant to section 107 of the Act, by reason of the use or predominate use of the land described below being for residential purposes, Council declares that the general rate shall be varied by increasing it by 0.19 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value to 6.603 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value of the land within the area identified by that part of the Launceston Urban Fire Brigade District located in the West Tamar Municipal Area as depicted on plan No. LD674a lodged with the Department of Environment and Land Management and the revenue raised from the variation in the General Rate be applied to the development of Windsor Park; and

- c. That pursuant to section 90 (4) of the Act, Council sets a minimum amount payable in respect of the general rate of \$240.00.
- d. That pursuant to section 129(4) of the Act, Council grants a remission of the rates paid or payable by the owners of land who have entered into a conservation covenant (from both the Protected Areas on Private Land and the Private Forest Reserves Programs) pursuant to the *Nature Conservation Act 2002* of:
 - i. \$6.00 per hectare; and
 - ii. with a minimum remission per rateable property of \$60.00 and a maximum remission per rateable property of \$600.00.
- e. That pursuant to section 129(4) of the Act, upon application by a registered Tasmanian fire service volunteer, Council grants a remission of the annual fire service contribution paid or payable on their principal place of residence.
- f. That pursuant to section 129(4) of the Act Council grants a remission of 100% of all council rates paid or payable by the ratepayers (the lessees/licences) holding Crown leases/licences for jetties/boatshed/slipways subject to the following criteria
 - i. the lessee/licencee must be a ratepayer of the West Tamar Municipal Area; and
 - ii. the land subject to the lease/licence must adjoin the lessee's/licencee's land and the Tamar River or Bass Strait; and
 - iii. the land subject to the lease/licence must be for the purpose of a jetty/boatshed/slipway and used only for private recreational purposes pertaining to the lessee; and
 - iv. the land subject to the lease/licence has no separate council service supplied and connected to that land.

2. Service Rates and Service Charges

That pursuant to sections 93 and 94 of the Act, Council makes the following service rates and service charges in respect of all rateable land within the West Tamar Municipal Area (including land which is otherwise exempt from rates pursuant to section 87 of the Act but excluding Crown Land to which council does not supply any of the following services) for the period commencing on the 1st day of July 2026 and ending on the 30th day of June 2027 namely:

- a. A service charge for waste management (garbage removal) in respect of all lands to which council supplies a waste management service as follows:
 - i. \$271.00 for an 80-litre mobile garbage bin and one 140-litre mobile recycle bin;
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 - iii. \$476.00 for a 240-litre mobile garbage bin and one 140-litre mobile recycle bin;
 - iv. \$112.00 for a 240-litre mobile organic bin.

3. Separate Apportionments

For the purposes of this resolution the rates and charges shall apply to each parcel of land that is shown as being separately valued in the valuation list prepared under the *Valuation of Land Act 2001*.

4. Fire Service Contribution

Pursuant to section 93A of the Act Council makes the following service rates in respect of the Fire Service Contributions it must collect under the *Fire Service Act 1979* for the rateable parcels of land within the municipal area of West Tamar Municipal Area:

- a. for land within the Launceston Permanent Brigade Rating District, a service rate of 0.992 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value;
- b. for land within the volunteer Beaconsfield, Gravelly Beach, Kelso and Legana Volunteer Brigade Rating District, a service rate of 0.276 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value; and
- c. For land within the General Land Brigade Rating District, a service rate of 0.254 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value.

Pursuant to section 90(3) of the Act Council sets the following minimum amounts payable in respect of this rate:

- Launceston Permanent Brigade Rating District \$52.00;
- Beaconsfield, Gravelly Beach, Kelso and Legana Volunteer Brigade Rating District \$52.00;
- General Land \$52.00.

5. Interest

That pursuant to section 128 of the Act if any rate or instalment is not paid on or before the date it falls due then there is payable a daily interest charge of 0.0291671% in respect of the unpaid rate or instalment for the period during which it is unpaid.

6. Rates payments

Pursuant to section 124 of the Act, Council:

- a. permits all ratepayers to pay rates by instalments instead of by one payment, if ratepayers so elect;
- b. determines that if all rates are paid by one payment, then the date by which the rates are due to be paid shall be 30 September 2026;
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7. Discount for early payment

Pursuant to section 130 of the Act, Council offers to all ratepayers who pay the whole of the rates specified in the rates notice in one payment on or before 30 September 2026, a discount of 1% upon the current rates and charges.

8. Adjusted values

For the purposes of each of these resolutions any reference to assessed annual value includes a reference to that value as adjusted pursuant to section 89 of the Act.

9. Words and Expressions

Words and expressions used both in these resolutions and in the *Local Government Act 1993* or the *Fire Service Act 1979* have in these resolutions the same respective meanings as they had in those Acts.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved: Cr Larner

Seconded:

That the motion be deferred to the next ordinary meeting of Council and that Council consider my motion.

MOTION LAPSED FOR WANT OF A SECONDER

Minute No. 26/104

DECISION

Moved: Cr Manticas

Seconded: Cr Lyons

That Council by absolute majority:

1. pursuant to section 82 of the *Local Government Act 1993* adopts the 2026/2027 Estimates; and
2. makes rates and charges for the period 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027 in accordance with the following resolutions:

RESOLUTIONS:

1. General Rate

- a. That pursuant to section 90 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act) Council makes the following General Rate in relation to all rateable land (excluding land which is

exempt pursuant to the provisions of section 87) within the West Tamar Municipal Area for the period commencing 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027, namely a rate of 6.413 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value of the land;

- b. That pursuant to section 107 of the Act, by reason of the use or predominate use of the land described below being for residential purposes, Council declares that the general rate shall be varied by increasing it by 0.19 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value to 6.603 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value of the land within the area identified by that part of the Launceston Urban Fire Brigade District located in the West Tamar Municipal Area as depicted on plan No. LD674a lodged with the Department of Environment and Land Management and the revenue raised from the variation in the General Rate be applied to the development of Windsor Park; and
- c. That pursuant to section 90 (4) of the Act, Council sets a minimum amount payable in respect of the general rate of \$240.00.
- d. That pursuant to section 129(4) of the Act, Council grants a remission of the rates paid or payable by the owners of land who have entered into a conservation covenant (from both the Protected Areas on Private Land and the Private Forest Reserves Programs) pursuant to the *Nature Conservation Act 2002* of:
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 - ii. with a minimum remission per rateable property of \$60.00 and a maximum remission per rateable property of \$600.00.
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- f. That pursuant to section 129(4) of the Act Council grants a remission of 100% of all council rates paid or payable by the ratepayers (the lessees/licences) holding Crown leases/licences for jetties/boatshed/slipways subject to the following criteria
 - i. the lessee/licencee must be a ratepayer of the West Tamar Municipal Area; and
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- i. \$271.00 for an 80-litre mobile garbage bin and one 140-litre mobile recycle bin;
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3. Separate Apportionments

For the purposes of this resolution the rates and charges shall apply to each parcel of land that is shown as being separately valued in the valuation list prepared under the *Valuation of Land Act 2001*.

4. Fire Service Contribution

Pursuant to section 93A of the Act Council makes the following service rates in respect of the Fire Service Contributions it must collect under the *Fire Service Act 1979* for the rateable parcels of land within the municipal area of West Tamar Municipal Area:

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- c. For land within the General Land Brigade Rating District, a service rate of 0.254 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value.

Pursuant to section 90(3) of the Act Council sets the following minimum amounts payable in respect of this rate:

- Launceston Permanent Brigade Rating District \$52.00;
- Beaconsfield, Gravelly Beach, Kelso and Legana Volunteer Brigade Rating District \$52.00;
- General Land \$52.00.

5. Interest

That pursuant to section 128 of the Act if any rate or instalment is not paid on or before the date it falls due then there is payable a daily interest charge of 0.0291671% in respect of the unpaid rate or instalment for the period during which it is unpaid.

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7. Discount for early payment

Pursuant to section 130 of the Act, Council offers to all ratepayers who pay the whole of the rates specified in the rates notice in one payment on or before 30 September 2026, a discount of 1% upon the current rates and charges.

8. Adjusted values

For the purposes of each of these resolutions any reference to assessed annual value includes a reference to that value as adjusted pursuant to section 89 of the Act.

9. Words and Expressions

Words and expressions used both in these resolutions and in the *Local Government Act 1993* or the *Fire Service Act 1979* have in these resolutions the same respective meanings as they had in those Acts.

Point of order called by Cr Manticas at 3.24pm

VOTING

For: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Lyons, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Against: Cr Larner

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED 7/1

REQUIRES ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL

12.2 Corp 2 - 2026/2027 Fees & Charges

REPORT AUTHOR: Chief Financial Officer - Jason Barker CPA

REPORT DATE: 3 June 2026

ATTACHMENTS: 1. [12.2.1] Fees & Charges 2026-27

RECOMMENDATION

That Council pursuant to section 205 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, makes the fees and charges for the period 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027 as set out in the attached document titled Fees & Charges 2026-27.

Minute No. 26/105

DECISION

Moved: Cr Manticas

Seconded: Cr Ferguson

That Council pursuant to section 205 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, makes the fees and charges for the period 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027 as set out in the attached document titled Fees & Charges 2026-27.

VOTING

For: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Larner, Cr Lyons, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Against: Nil

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0

Chief Financial Officer left the meeting at 3.37pm

13 COMMUNITY

Nil

14 COMMUNITY ASSETS

14.1 Asset 1 - Capital Works Projects Budget Adjustments

REPORT AUTHOR: Director Community Assets - Dino De Paoli

REPORT DATE: 9 June 2026

ATTACHMENTS: 1. [14.1.1] CEO Approved Project Budget Adjustments

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives this report under the *Local Government Act 1993 section 82(7)* noting the capital works project budget adjustments approved under delegation by the Chief Executive Officer.

Minute No. 26/106

DECISION

Moved: Cr Lyons

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog

That Council receives this report under the *Local Government Act 1993 section 82(7)* noting the capital works project budget adjustments approved under delegation by the Chief Executive Officer.

VOTING

For: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Lerner, Cr Lyons, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Against: Nil

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0

15 PEOPLE, CULTURE & SAFETY

Nil

16 PETITIONS

Nil

17 NOTICE OF MOTIONS

17.1 Motions on Notice

17.1.1 Cr Manticas - Motion regarding general rubbish collection

REPORT AUTHOR: Acting Chief Executive Officer - Dino De Paoli

REPORT DATE: 9 June 2026

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

MOTION ON NOTICE

That Council initiate weekly general rubbish collection and fortnightly recycling collection from January 2027.

MOTION

Moved: Cr Manticas

Seconded: Cr Sladden

That the West Tamar Council conducts an elector poll at the upcoming Local Government elections asking the following question:

1. Do you support weekly rubbish collection?

Minute No. 26/107

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved: Cr Manticas

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog

That the motion be deferred until the July Council Meeting.

Point of Order called by Cr Allen at 3.51pm

VOTING

For: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Larner, Cr Lyons, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Against: Nil

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0

17.1.2 Cr Larner - Motion to release Survey Results

REPORT AUTHOR: Acting Chief Executive Officer - Dino De Paoli

REPORT DATE: 9 June 2026

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

MOTION ON NOTICE

That Council:

Release the 2026 Residents Opinion Survey Results Summary, including the 'Baseline Competence' scores for each settlement cluster within West Tamar's dispersed communities, for the following locations:

- Trevallyn and Riverside
- Legana and Grindelwald
- Exeter and Districts (Blackwall, Gravelly Beach, Swan Point, Deviot, Lanena and Rosevears)
- Beaconsfield and Beauty Point
- Greens Beach, Clarence Point and Kelso

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MOTION

Moved: Cr Larner

Seconded: Cr Manticas

That Council release the 2026 Ratepayers Opinion Survey Results Summary, including the Competence scores, on Council's website, as part of Council's upcoming 4th Quarterly Report.

VOTING

For: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Larner, Cr Lyons, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Against: Nil

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0

17.1.3 Cr Larner - Motion to reduce Business Grants 2026/27

REPORT AUTHOR: Acting Chief Executive Officer - Dino De Paoli

REPORT DATE: 9 June 2026

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

MOTION ON NOTICE

That Council:

1. reduce the maximum annual Business Grant allocation in the 2026/27 Budget from \$20,000 to \$2,000; and
2. note that this amendment supports a more financially sustainable and equitable allocation of Council resources, with greater priority given to core services and asset renewal.

The motion was withdrawn by Cr Larner

17.1.4 Cr Larner - Motion regarding TasWater

REPORT AUTHOR: Acting Chief Executive Officer - Dino De Paoli

REPORT DATE: 9 June 2026

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

MOTION ON NOTICE

That Council:

1. write to the Minister for Natural Resources and Environment seeking review of Tasmanian councils' shareholder ownership interests in the water and sewerage sector; and
2. advocate for a pathway for West Tamar Council to formally relinquish its investment in TasWater Corporation.

The motion was withdrawn by Cr Larner

17.2 Motions without Notice

Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog left the meeting at 4:09 pm

Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog entered the meeting at 4:10 pm

MOTION

Moved: Cr Larner

Seconded: Cr Sladden

That Council:

1. receive and table the 2026/2027 Budget Consideration - Final document as presented by a councillor at Council's ordinary meeting 16 June 2026.
2. the tabled budget consideration document be referred to the CEO for consideration at a future workshop and/or for a qualified report.

Minute No. 26/109

AMENDED MOTION

Moved: Cr Manticas

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog

That Council:

1. receive the 2026/2027 Budget Consideration - Final document as presented by a councillor at Council's ordinary meeting 16 June 2026.

VOTING

For: Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Ferguson, Cr Larner, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Against: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Cr Allen and Cr Lyons

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED 5/3

The amended motion is now the substantive motion

Minute No. 26/110

MOTION

Moved: Cr Manticas

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog

That Council:

1. receive the 2026/2027 Budget Consideration - Final document as presented by a councillor at Council's ordinary meeting 16 June 2026.

VOTING

For: Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Ferguson, Cr Larner, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Against: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Cr Allen and Cr Lyons

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED 5/3

18 COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS

18.1 Councillors' Questions on Notice

18.1.1 Cr Larner

Question 1: What are the names, membership numbers and meeting locations of the local community groups, organisations and broader Tasmanian bodies consulted by Council in relation to the Draft Strategic Plan 2026-2036, which is currently open for public submissions?

Response: *In total, 209 invitations were sent out to various groups, associations, businesses and individuals to attend the workshops:*

- *Youth - 54 invitations*
- *Positive Ageing - 12 invitations*
- *Community Reference groups - 61 invitations*
- *Recreation groups - 39 invitations*
- *Businesses and business groups - 43 invitations*

The above included:

- *Council committees, including the Positive Ageing Committee, the Youth Advisory Committee, the Rowella Hall Committee and the Winkleigh Hall Committee.*
- *State Government bodies, including the Department of Health, the Department for Education, Children and Young People, Libraries Tasmania, and Tasmania Police;*
- *Community and recreation groups, including community halls (outside of those run by Council), Neighbourhood House representatives, various sporting groups and community clubs; and*
- *Local businesses and business groups, including tourism bodies.*

Other than the Council committees listed above, Council notes that it has no oversight of membership numbers or meeting locations of the groups, associations and businesses consulted in relation to the Draft Strategic Plan.

A total of five separate workshops were held over a number of days - across several venues, specifically the Tailrace Centre, Beaconsfield Community Centre and the Windsor Precinct – with 60 attendees across the five workshops.

Separate workshops were held for both the Councillors and Council's Executive Management Team.

A list of business and community group invitees and attendees will be provided to Councillors at a future workshop.

Question 2: Since the Draft Strategic Plan 2026-2036 gives 'equal weight' to social infrastructure and physical infrastructure, and to youth and older age outcomes despite uneven percentage demographics for the next 10 years – In the interests of transparency, and prior to the close of submissions on 28 June 2026, what is the format and content of the questionnaire(s) or form(s) used in consultation on the Draft Strategic Plan 2036, including the questions participants were asked to answer or complete?

Response: *The focus groups listed above were not facilitated in a traditional Q&A format, so there was not a single list of set questions presented to participants. Instead, the sessions used a structured prioritisation method for engagement.*

The convenor put a set of evidence-based assumptions to each group and had participants rank what mattered most to them, with full freedom to comment on each item, challenge the wording, and to add anything that had been missed.

The assumptions came out of a review of around 60 strategic documents (27 Council strategies, 25 regional and stakeholder strategies, and 8 confidential studies), distilled into a Strategic Issues Brief document. That Brief is what each workshop interrogated.

The engagement process comprised of three elements: a set of sharp strategic provocations, a "day in the life of a 2036 resident" exercise, and the structured ranking of issues across community, environment, economy, infrastructure and governance. These elements were tailored to each consulted group.

Question 3: What are the updated five-year indexed costings¹, for the delivery of the Legana Recreation Masterplan, taking into account the withdrawal of the State Government's earlier \$5,000,000 funding option, the reinstatement of the fuel tax from 1 July 2026, and the current economic conditions affecting the construction sector?

¹ALGWA Masterclass – 'Focusing on Financials': According to Finpro Consultant Group's Corporate Director, Tony Rocca, advises, "Asset Sales are not a solution. Such revenues must go to the Cap.Ex. reserve for vital infrastructure". Further, an Indexed Financial Plan demonstrates \$1 million in today's dollars projects in 5 years to \$5 – 7 million.

Response: *Council officers have previously prepared a 10 year financial forecast for the Legana Recreation Masterplan which considered both capital and operational expenditure and was presented at Council Workshop. As this financial modelling was discussed at Workshop, we are not able to provide updated information at this point in time. To model costs taking into account a reduced grants outcome would require a revised scope. More specifics around the makeup of an altered scope would need to be known and discussed with Council before updated costings could be forecast.*

Council's Long Term Financial Plan was approved at the May 2026 Council Meeting. The financial plan is reviewed annually and provides for a 10 year outlook. The financial plan allows for various indexation factors, including consumer price and construction cost indices, for both revenue and expenditure in line with the approved assumptions underpinning the plan.

There are still global impacts that may affect Council's financial position from time to time. The potential impacts are not certain but the draft budget has been prepared to include some allowance for the current economic environment. Councillors have scrutinized the draft 2026/27 budget at recent workshops to ensure Council's financial position will be healthy over the coming financial year and provide the best outcome for the community.

18.2 Councillors' Questions without Notice

Cr Sladden

Question: I have a question about the slide at the pool. I notice it's been taken down, and I was just wondering about the progress and do we have an ETA on when it might be finished, hopefully in good time before the next season. I guess that's my wishful thinking about spring.

Response: (From the Acting Chief Executive Officer through the Chair) *I'll need to come back to you, Councillor, after I've checked in with the project team.*

Cr Manticas

Question 1: A number of people in the Beaconsfield and Beauty Point community have raised the state of the road going through Beaconsfield and into Beauty Point. And I don't know what the correct process would be, but those roads are controlled...

Response: *Aren't they state roads? That's the West Tamar Highway, it stops at Inspection Head Wharf.*

Question: One of the other questions that was raised was with regards to the open drains to the side of those roads. And so my question is - is the responsibility of spraying and cleaning out of the roadside drains also the responsibility of DSG and the state with regards to that stretch of road? And if so, could we get an email address published by way of response here that community members can email directly their concerns with the Department of State Growth?

Response: (From the Acting Chief Executive Officer through the Chair) *We can provide State Growth's customer service contact details, and that's also available on their website for any residents/ratepayers that need to contact them around maintenance issues.*

Cr Lyons

Statement: Can I support that, too? In particular, the edges, there's quite a dip at the edges of that road, and that's a narrow road. And I travel down there a fair bit and it really does need some sort of grading the gravel back up to level with the roadway.

Response: *We will make sure that you get that information. Thank you.*

Cr Allen

Question 1: The only thing I had to ask was we talked at a workshop about doing a paper on charity groups applying for cheap fees or free fees at the refuse centre and I just wondered what whether we've got a follow-up on that or whether that's going to happen before July?

Response: (From the Acting Chief Executive Officer through the Chair) *That's still in progress, Councillor, so we'll need to come back and report to you on the status of that one at an upcoming workshop.*

Cr Larner

Question 1: Just with regards to the Windsor Park special levy, has the broader West Tamar community been consulted about the proposed four-year incremental adjustment of the Windsor Park special levy to be applied to the whole municipality?

Point of Order called by Cr Ferguson at 4.26pm

Cr Larner: Change the wording. Has... consulted about the four-year incremental adjustment of the Windsor Park special levy?

Response: *No, the Council hasn't.*

Cr Lyons: Oh, but we passed it. And we've passed it in the budget today to drop 25% off this year.

Response: *But no, Cr Larner is asking have we consulted the community. No, we haven't. It's already passed, and it's in train.*

Cr Larner: Okay. I would just like Councillors to just by way of comment, refer to page 197 of this agenda?

Point of Order called by Cr Manticas at 4.26pm

Question 2: Funding for Legana Recreation Master Plan and Legana Town Centre in Tatana Way. Since Innova Park land sale funds are soon to be redirected to the Legana Recreation Master Plan, will Council introduce a special levy for the Legana and Grindelwald residents for its ongoing maintenance and depreciation costs? Or will these expenditures be shared across the whole widely dispersed ratepaying...

Response: *That question isn't appropriate. This is something that would have to come before a formal Council meeting to be discussed and with input from the relevant staff to clearly show all the pros and cons of the question you're asking.*

Question 3: The Gravelly Beach footbridge footpath. So, the bridge has been closed for to the frequent pedestrians who use it daily, awaiting repair of a failing pier. The footpath has now been totally closed off, leaving the narrow, two-lane access for vehicles only, with two slow-down signs placed at either end of the bridge, one at some distance away without view of the bridge itself. There's no safety warning to look out for pedestrians. Can Council somehow...

Point of Order called by Cr Manticas at 4.28pm

Cr Larner: I'll cut to the chase. Can Council somehow arrange for one car at a time to use the bridge with a safety fence allowance for the pedestrian public?

Cr Allen: We've already had that question answered today. So, you know the answer, anyway.

Cr Larner: I have ratepayers that are asking for action, but I do note Councillor Manticas's input that this needs to be notified to the general community.

Response: *(From the Acting Chief Executive Officer through the Chair) So, the Gravelly Beach Road pedestrian bridge is currently under close review by the Council officer team involved in it. So, we are looking at all issues around safety,*

pedestrian access, vehicle access, the costs involved, the timeframes involved in providing a solution either short-term, long-term. I need to obviously bring that information back to workshop to and keep councillors updated as we go through the assessment of that existing bridge structure. And we can certainly review signage that's currently in place and keep an eye on that regularly just to ensure it's compliant with relevant standards.

18.3 Responses to Previous Questions on Notice

18.3.1 Cr Larner Question From 19 May 2026

Question 1: **Legana Precinct** - What are the numbers and employee roles of our internal council officials who comprise the project working group to brief the architects and stakeholder groups of the expected scope of this project and how long have they been working on it?

Response: *The Chief Executive Officer and Director Community Assets have been working with Council officers since the commencement of the Legana Recreational Precinct masterplan work following approval of capital project funding in the 2024/25 financial year. Following approval of the masterplan by Council at the April 2026 Council Meeting, officers have been preparing a brief to be issued to consultants to provide detailed architectural and engineering services to the first stage of the project, in line with the approved masterplan and existing funding approval. Regular briefings on this important project will be provided to Councillors at future Workshops.*

18.3.2 Cr Allen Question From 19 May 2026

Question 1: **Bus Service to Greens Beach** - Would Council consider talking to Manion's bus service about a bus service in the summer on a regular basis to Greens Beach?

Response: *We have written to both Manions Coaches and Transport Tasmania (part of the Department of State Growth) requesting consideration of a summer bus service to Greens Beach. Manions Coaches have advised that the organisation of the bus routes is the responsibility of Transport Tasmania. We will update Council and the Youth Advisory Council once a response has been received.*

19 INTO CLOSED MEETING

RECOMMENDATION

That, pursuant to Regulation 17(1) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025*, Council close the meeting to the public ...pm to discuss the following items:

Confirmation of Minutes

2.1 Confirmation of Minutes of Closed Meeting held 19 May 2026

This report has been submitted to the closed part of the Council Meeting in accordance with Regulation 40(6). At the next closed meeting, the minutes of a closed meeting, after any necessary correction, are to be confirmed as the true record by the council or council committee and signed by the chairperson of the closed meeting.

Leave of Absence Requests

3.1 Confidential 1 - Leave of Absence Request – Cr Lynden Ferguson

This report has been submitted to the closed part of the Council Meeting in accordance with Regulation 17(2)(i) requests by councillors for a leave of absence.

3.2 Confidential 2 - Leave of Absence Request – Cr Julie Sladden

This report has been submitted to the closed part of the Council Meeting in accordance with Regulation 17(2)(i) requests by councillors for a leave of absence.

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DECISION

Moved: Cr Sladden

Seconded: Cr Ferguson

That, pursuant to Regulation 17(1) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025*, Council close the meeting to the public at 4.30pm to discuss the following items:

Confirmation of Minutes

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VOTING

For: Mayor Cr Holmdahl, Deputy Mayor Cr Shegog, Cr Allen, Cr Ferguson, Cr Larner, Cr Lyons, Cr Manticas and Cr Sladden

Against: Nil

Abstained: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0

REQUIRES ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL

20 OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

Council resolved to move out of Closed Session at 4.42pm.

21 CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 4.43pm.