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ROSIE'S READING AT WINDSOR

Rosie's Reading and Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Australia gifts a quality children's book every month, delivered to the

child's home.

Each book is chosen to suit their age from birth through to 5, to help build a love of reading, a big imagination and be ready to start school. The books are perfect for shared reading time with family too!

We're now open to families living anywhere in the West Tamar Council area and Trevallyn. It's open to all children born after January 1, 2023.

West Tamar Mayor Christina Holmdahl found her comfy spot in the Rosie's Reading Book Nook at the Windsor Community Precinct to read a book from Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Australia.

To start your child's free enrolment go to www.rosiesreading.org/west-tamar



Mayor's Message

When my late husband Olle and I settled in Clarence Point back in 2000 alongside our two dogs, Meggie and Lilli, we thought we were stepping into a quiet retirement in one of the most beautiful and serene locations in Tasmania.

Yet, looking back now after 16 years on Council, I realise that moving to the West Tamar was never about slowing down - it was about finding a community that truly felt like home.

Deciding not to recontest my seat this October was not an easy choice, but it comes with a deep sense of personal fulfillment.

From my early days lobbying for safety upgrades on the West Tamar Highway to serving as your Mayor and representing Tasmania on national local government bodies, my drive has always been simple: to leave this wonderful region stronger than I found it.

Every project delivered, every community facility opened, and every policy shaped was never a solo achievement.



They belong to our dedicated staff, my fellow councillors, our volunteers, and most of all, to you - the residents whose passion and civic pride make this municipality so special.

Serving you has been one of the absolute greatest privileges of my life.

Whether chatting at a community event, working with local arts groups, or sitting down with ratepayer associations, it is the warmth and spirit of our people that I will treasure most.

Thank you for your trust, your support, and for allowing me to serve the place we are all so proud to call home.



Christina Holmdahl
West Tamar Mayor

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

CANDIDATE INFORMATION SESSIONS

SESSION 1

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25

6PM - 7PM

SESSION 2

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26

6PM - 7PM

LOCATION
Council Chamber
Windsor Community Precinct

GET INVOLVED & MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

West Tamar
COUNCIL

COUNCILLOR CANDIDATE SESSIONS

West Tamar Council will be hosting two information sessions for potential candidates in the West Tamar municipality in August.

The two sessions will be held on Tuesday, August 25 from 6 to 7pm, and Wednesday, August 26 from 6 to 7pm in the Council Chamber at the Windsor Community Precinct at Riverside.

To RSVP (required) for the sessions, simply follow these links and sign up:

Tuesday night – <https://events.humanitix.com/west-tamar-council-candidate-information-session-1>

Wednesday night – [https://events.humanitix.com/west-tamar-council-candidate-information-session-](https://events.humanitix.com/west-tamar-council-candidate-information-session-2)

We aim to keep numbers to a limit of 10 people per session.

If both sessions reach capacity, we will look to hold further sessions (if required).

BREASTSCREEN BUS AT EXETER

The BreastScreen Tasmania Bus will be in Exeter from August 10 to August 28 at the Exeter Showgrounds, Winkleigh Road, Exeter.

Are you 45-74? When you visit our mobile screening unit for your BreastScreen appointment, you can also ask our friendly staff about requesting a FREE National Bowel Cancer Screening Kit.

BreastScreen Tasmania is an inclusive service and provides FREE screening mammograms every two years to eligible people aged over 40 years.

To book your next appointment with BreastScreen Tasmania, please call 13 20 50.

Opening hours:

Monday – Friday, 8:30am – 4pm

Excludes public holidays. Hours vary subject to availability. Interpreter services available.

Please call 13 14 50. Wheelchair accessible.

For more information about breast screening or to find your nearest BreastScreen Tasmania location, please visit: www.health.tas.gov.au/breast-screening, call 13 20 50 or email breastscreenhobartclinic@ths.tas.gov.au

Image Credit: Ron Brown, Discover Tasmania



The poster features the BreastScreen Tasmania logo at the top left. The main headline is 'Don't Miss Your Screen!'. Below this, a pink location pin icon is next to the word 'Exeter'. The dates 'August 10th - August 28th, 2026' are displayed in pink, followed by the location 'Exeter Showgrounds, Winkleigh Road, Exeter TAS 7275'. A heart-shaped image shows a scenic view of a lake and vineyards. Below the heart, a hand holds a 'Home Test Kit' box. A dark blue banner at the bottom right says 'Aged 45-74? Ask our friendly staff at your appointment about accessing a bowel cancer screening kit!'. The phone number '13 20 50' is at the bottom left, and the Tasmanian Government logo is at the bottom right.

COMMUNITY CAROLS - SAVE THE DATE

The West Tamar Council West Tamar Community
Carols are returning in 2026!

Sunday, December 13, 2026

Pop it in your diary now — because it's on again and the West Tamar Community Carols team can't wait to celebrate with you all again at Exeter Showgrounds in 2026!

Stay tuned for more details throughout the year ahead or follow the West Tamar Community Carols page on Facebook for more information.



MAYOR CALLS TIME ON CAREER

After 16 years of dedicated service to the West Tamar community, Mayor Christina Holmdahl has announced that she will not recontest her seat at the upcoming Local Government elections in October.

In making her announcement, Mayor Holmdahl expressed her profound gratitude to the people of the municipality.

“Serving this community has been one of the greatest privileges of my life. Every challenge, every decision and every achievement have been shaped by the trust that you placed in me and in our Council,” Mayor Holmdahl said.

“During the past 16 years that I’ve served on Council, our municipality has grown stronger, become more connected to our ratepayers and forward looking.

“Together we have delivered projects that have improved the daily lives of our residents and strengthened the foundations of our future.”



TO READ THE FULL MEDIA RELEASE, CLICK HERE:

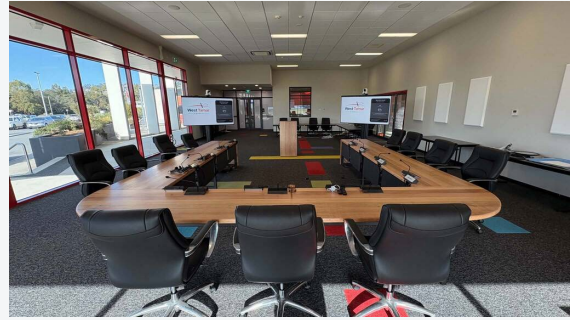
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LIVE STREAMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

Did you know that the West Tamar Council live streams its Council meetings?

People wishing to tune in every month to watch the meetings live can do so by visiting the Council's official YouTube Page here:

<https://www.youtube.com/@WestTamarCouncil7250>



You can also replay all past meetings that are streamed on the same site.



2026 Community Roadshow

ROADSHOW VENUES

- **CLARENCE POINT HALL**
Wednesday, July 22 from 6pm - 7.30pm
- **BEACONSFIELD COMMUNITY HALL**
Saturday, July 25 from 1pm - 2.30pm
- **EXETER COMMUNITY HUB**
Wednesday, July 29 from 6pm - 7.30pm
- **DEVOT COMMUNITY HALL**
Saturday, August 1 from 1pm - 2.30pm
- **LEGANA MEMORIAL HALL**
Wednesday, August 5 from 6pm - 7.30pm
- **ONLINE EVENT ONLY**
Thursday August 13 from 6pm - 7.30pm

Free registration required for all venues. See our website for more details

JULY 2026 COUNCIL MEETING

At its July ordinary meeting, Council:

- Approved Planning Application PA2026070 for a Residential: Outbuilding at 35a Ecclestone Road, Riverside.
- Received the Council Workshops Report for June and July 2026.
- Endorsed the Draft Terms of Reference for the Frankford Soldiers Memorial Hall.
- Endorsed the 2026-36 Community Strategic Plan.
- Endorsed the 2026-27 Annual Plan.
- Received and noted the Council's Audit Panel Minutes.
- Received and noted the Council's Audit Panel Annual Report 2025-26.
- Received and noted the Council's Audit Annual Work Plan 2026-27.
- Did not endorse the New Election Period Policy.
- Received and noted the Youth Advisory Council Minutes for June.
- Received and noted the Positive Ageing Committee Minutes for June.
- Endorsed the nomination of members for the Rowella Hall Committee.
- Endorsed a Submission to the State Planning Provisions - Draft Amendment 01-2026 - Secondary Residence.
- Approved a Proposed Funding Agreement - Just Cats Tasmania Inc
- Approved a Sponsorship Request for the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania.
- Approved a Sponsorship Request for the Transplant Games.
- A Motion on Notice from Cr Caroline Lerner on the urgent intervention request for the Firmus Data Centre lapsed.
- Did not endorse a Motion on Notice from Cr Josh Manticas to conduct an Elector Poll for Weekly Garbage Collection.
- Endorsed a Motion without Notice from Cr Josh Manticas requesting Council to write to the ministers for Planning and Environment to ask whether Tasmania's current planning and environmental laws are fully equipped to assess modern, high-tech, emerging industries and whether in their view introducing clearer statewide standards would provide greater certainty for communities, councils, and developers.
- Endorsed a Motion without Notice from Mayor Cr Christina Holmdahl to acknowledge the official opening of Gurdwara Sat Sangat Sahib (the Sikh Community Centre) in Grindelwald, express disappointment at the racist and hateful comments made online following its opening, and reaffirm that racism, religious intolerance and threats of violence have no place in the West Tamar community.

CAPITAL WORKS UPDATE - JULY 2026

Works Completed

- Riverside Aquatic Centre - Waterslide refurbishment
- Beaconsfield, Miner's Park - BBQ & Shelter installation
- Road Resealing Program - various roads across the municipality
- Beauty Point Clubrooms: Toilet
- Riverside, New Ecclestone Road: Stormwater remediation

In Progress

- Beaconsfield, Grubb Street Recreation Ground - Toilet Block

- Beaconsfield, Julian Street - Road Widening & Footpath
- Beaconsfield Waste Transfer Station Safety Barriers
- Exeter Car Park, RV Dump Point
- Riverside, New Ecclestone Road - Stormwater Upgrade
- Rosevears, Rosevears Drive, Road Reconstruction
- Windsor Precinct, Riverside - Olympic 2 soccer field reconstruction

HELP FINDING THE RIGHT SUPPORT

West Tamar Council's Community Support Resource is a practical guide designed to help residents find the right support quickly and locally where possible. It brings together key services in one place so people know where to turn in times of need.

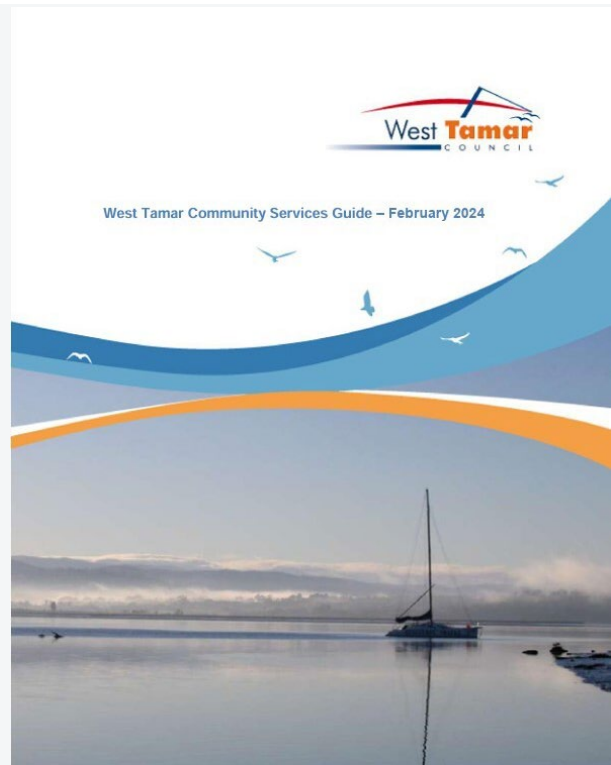
The Community Support Resource is a compiled information booklet created to assist community members experiencing hardship or needing extra support. It sits alongside Council's broader Community Service Guide and is promoted as a central point to access local and statewide services.

This document is aimed at all West Tamar residents, including individuals, families, older people, and young people who may be facing financial, social, or wellbeing challenges. It is also a useful tool for local service providers, volunteers, and community groups who want to refer people to reliable support options.

The resource brings together contacts for services such as emergency relief, housing and homelessness support, mental health and counselling, family and youth support, and financial assistance. It is designed to make it easier to navigate what can otherwise be a confusing system of agencies and programs.

Community members can download the Community Support Resource from the West Tamar Council website via the Community Service Guide section of the website:

<https://www.wtc.tas.gov.au/community-service-guide/>



HOMELESS ACTION NOW

A place to belong  2026

Together we can take action and build a community where **everyone** has a place to belong.



**FRIDAY
7 AUGUST**
11AM – 2PM

 **CIVIC SQUARE
LAUNCESTON**



**SWAP A SNACK
FOR A SNAG!**

Bring a non-perishable snack item to donate and receive a **FREE** BBQ sausage.



Your donation will help support people in our community experiencing hardship.



**LIGHT UP
LAUNCESTON**

12PM – A POWERFUL COMMUNITY PRESENTATION

Join us for a moment of reflection and solidarity as we light up Civic Square with our phone torches.



Every light represents hope.



Every light represents a person.



Every light matters.

MEET LOCAL SERVICES

Connect with organisations providing support across housing, health, legal, financial wellbeing, employment, family and community services.



Information stalls



Interactive activities



Community connections



Giveaways & resources



BBQ & refreshments

**EVERYONE
WELCOME**

Whether you're looking for support, want to learn more, or simply wish to stand with our community during Homeless Action Now 2026, we'd love to see you there. 

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT



Verity at Women's Legal Service Tasmania



Phone: 0456 631 892



**TOGETHER, WE CAN TAKE ACTION AND BUILD
A COMMUNITY WHERE EVERYONE HAS
A PLACE TO BELONG.**

FIND OUT MORE



READY TO GET HIRED?

Pathways to Employment

Tuesdays 4pm-5:30pm
Aug 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th and Sept 1st

5 week program

Windsor Community Precinct, Riverside

REGISTER NOW



Resume / cover
letter



Job search
profiles



Interview prep



Exploring
industries &
careers



Email &
voicemail
setup



FOR 14-17 YEAR OLDS

PATHWAYS TO EMPLOYMENT

Are you or someone you know looking to get hired, brush up your skills or learn about new industries? Then Pathways to Employment may be for you. For ages 14-17 years old.

To learn more, follow this link: <https://westtamaryouth.com.au/news/pathways-to-employment>

TABLE TENNIS CALL-OUT

The Riverside Table Tennis Club is a local community group who enjoy friendly mixed doubles games every Wednesday night.

The club has been running for about 20 years and they are looking to welcome new players to come along and join us.

Every Wednesday night starting at 7pm at
Riverside Tennis Club, Eden Street, Riverside.



UPCOMING EVENTS



Our next Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday, August 18, 2026

The ordinary meeting will start
at 1.30pm at the Windsor
Community Precinct.

Copies of the agenda will be available
on the Council website.

Australian Independent Retirees, Northern Tasmania Branch



Australian Independent Retirees meets on the third
Friday of the month between February and
November from 10am to 12pm at the Windsor
Community Precinct, Riverside.

The group welcomes retired and semi-retired people
interested in investment and general discussion.

Guest speakers form part of each meeting and
morning tea is available.

To register, or for further information, contact
airnorthtas@gmail.com



YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE GRANTS PROGRAM

2026/2027

West Tamar Council's Youth Representative Grants Program is to provide financial support for young residents who have been selected to represent their community, region, or state in sporting, academic, cultural, or other achievement-based events at local, national, or international levels.

Aged between **12-25**? You might be eligible! View the Guidelines on the West Tamar Council Website.

Applications are now open, and close COB 30 April 2027 or when the funding pool is exhausted, whichever comes first.

For more information call or email the Community Services Department today, or visit the West Tamar Council Website.

NOW OPEN!



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