



Community NEWS

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ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH UPDATE

Water Sampling

Council conducts water sampling of the recognised swimming beaches in our Municipality over the summer months. Testing has now concluded for 2016/2017 and the results will be released in the coming months. In previous years testing has shown that our recognised recreational beaches are suitable for swimming.

Waste Management Services

The sight of rubbish is one thing but rubbish that is scattered around public bin areas is unsightly, and is a health hazard. Unfortunately, on occasions, people overflow bins or dispose of rubbish on public land especially during holiday periods. Whilst extra services are scheduled over these times additional rubbish in these bins can result in bins overflowing. Public reporting of full or overflowing bins can be done through the My Local Services App – 'Report It' function or by phoning council on 6269 0000.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Common Services/ Amalgamations – Community Consultation

In order to find out what the community thinks about voluntary amalgamations a short online community survey can be accessed at -

www.surveymonkey.com/r/amalgamation-community-survey. Those requiring assistance to complete the survey can contact a member of Council's Customer Service Team on 6269 0000 who will complete the online survey on your behalf. The survey will close on Friday 5th May. To find out more information about the voluntary amalgamation, visit the Council's website on -

www.sorell.tas.gov.au/council/amalgamations

Community Conversations

Council recently held the first Community Conversation meeting for the year at Primrose Sands with 60 community members attending to discuss what's happening in the Primrose Sands area. The Community Conversations will continue throughout 2017 in the following locations:

- 27 April at 6.00pm** – Carlton Park Surf Life Saving Club
- 26 September at 6.00pm** – Midway Point Yacht Club
- 14 November at 6.00pm** – Bream Creek Showgrounds

Join us for a chat with the Mayor, Councillors and General Manager about what's happening in your local area.

Orielton Lagoon Shared Pathway

Development of the shared pathway for both pedestrians and cyclist from Penna Rd to Wolstenholme Drive has commenced. Recreational walking and cycling are considered popular activities within the municipality, with the community recognising the valuable benefits to health such as fitness, exercise and enjoyment. Recreational activities such as this provide positive opportunities for active lifestyle for all ages and skill levels. For further progress of this project please check our Facebook page and Sorell website for further updates.

Pittwater Neighbourhood House Upgrade

Extension and interior renovations have commenced on the Pittwater Neighbourhood House in Midway Point. Improvements will include a new meeting room, extra storage space, disability car-park and access and an upgrade to the indoor environment and facilities. It is expected that works will be finished by the end of May 2017. Whilst works are in progress, the neighbourhood house has temporarily located to 11 Fitzroy Street Sorell.

Community & Youth Grants Program

Applications for the 2017 / 2018 Community and Youth Grants Program opens on Monday 1st May and will close on 31st May 2017. The program provides financial support up to \$1500 to eligible community groups and organisations within the Sorell Municipality. Applications will be available on the Council's website soon.

Green Waste Collection

Week 1 3 - 7 April
Boomer Bay, Bream Creek, Carlton, Carlton River, Connellys Marsh, Copping, Dodges Ferry, Dunalley, Kellevie, Marion Bay, Primrose Sands.

Week 2 10 - 14 April
Midway Point, Forcett, Lewisham, Nugent, Orielton, Pawleena, Penna, Sorell, Wattle Hill.

To book your green waste and hard waste collections please go to our website www.sorell.tas.gov.au/services or phone 6269 0000 and select option 3.

Bookings must be made by MIDDAY FRIDAY the week prior to your collection. Please place all waste on the nature strip the weekend prior to your scheduled collection week.

COUNCIL MEETING:

The next meeting of Sorell Council will be held on Tuesday 11th April 2017 beginning at 6.00pm in the Council Chambers at the Council Offices.

Council Services over the Easter Holiday Period

Council Closure:

Council's Offices will be closed from 14th April and will re-open at 8.00am on Wednesday 19th April 2017.

Emergencies:

In the event of an emergency during the Easter Break, please phone 6269 0000.

Sorell Kerbside Collection:

Garbage collection for the Sorell area that would normally occur on Friday 14th April has been rescheduled and will now be collected on Saturday 15th April 2017.

COUNCIL DECISIONS

The following decisions were made at the March Council Meeting -

- Council received and noted the Financial Report February 2017 year-to-date.
- Council received and noted the Copping Refuse Disposal Site Joint Authority Report dated December 2016.
- Council accepted the the Pembroke Park Master Plan Business Case and Feasibility Assessment 2016.

COUNCIL WORKS DEVELOPMENTS

The following works are in progress or soon to be commenced throughout the Municipality -

- Carlton - Urban Street Sealing Program: Ridge Road will be upgraded from gravel to a sealed standard.
- Carlton Bridge into Primrose Sands – Steel Piles are in place ready to be driven into the rock beneath the river. Updates will be available on the Sorell Council website.
- Marion Bay Road – 950 metres from Zephyr Lane to the gravel section will be vertically realigned and resealed. Works has commenced and is ongoing. New kerb and gutter being installed.
- Midway Point – Extension and interior work has commenced on the Pittwater Neighbourhood.
- Pawleena Road - Reconstruction has commenced – 445m of 2.75km sealed section (Stage 1).
- Primrose Sands Park – A concrete slab is being prepared in readiness for a new picnic table and seating.
- Sorell – Installation of pedestrian crossing in Parsonage Place to commence early April.

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