



# Community NEWS

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April 2020

- **Road Reconstructions**  
– Reconstruction of one kilometre of Brinktop Road is nearing completion. Line marking will be carried out in the coming weeks.

## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH UPDATE

### Immunisation

The first round of the Sorell School Immunisation Program for year 7's was completed on 5 March. Any student who may have missed their vaccination should contact Council to organise a catch up dose.

### Food News

If you are a registered food business with Sorell Council now is the time to check out our new Online Food Handler training course. The course is for basic skills and knowledge of food handling and is a minimum requirement for any person working within a food business. You can access the course via the 'Services' tab on our website

## COMMUNITY INFORMATION

### Orielton Lagoon Loop

The shared pathway around Orielton Lagoon linking Midway Point and Sorell is finished. There is still some signage to be installed in the coming months but the pathway itself is complete. The Loop is approximately 11.2 kilometres in total and there is seating around various points. Dogs are permitted but must be on lead at all times and you must clean up after them.

## HAVE YOUR SAY

### Council Meeting

The next meeting of Sorell Council will be held on **Tuesday 21 April 2020**, beginning at 6.00pm in the Council Chambers at the Council Offices.

However, Government advice and regulations may require changes to be made. Please check our Facebook page and website for updates closer to the meeting date of 21 April.

### Green Waste Collection

**Week 1 Bookings Closed**  
Boomer Bay, Carlton, Carlton River, Bream Creek, Connellys Marsh, Copping, Dodges Ferry, Dunalley, Kellevie, Marion Bay, Primrose Sands.

**Week 2 13 - 17 April**  
Midway Point, Forcett, Lewisham, Nugent, Orielton, Pawleena, Penna, Sorell, Wattle Hill.

To book your collections the options are as follows:

- Go to our website [www.sorell.tas.gov.au/services](http://www.sorell.tas.gov.au/services)
- Use 'My Local Services App'
- 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 and ensure you abide by the size requirements – no more than 2 cubic metres (e.g. a small trailer load).

## COVID-19 Community Update

Please note the following closures and updates regarding Council's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Council's Offices are closed to the public until further notice. Whilst the doors are closed, you can contact us via one of these alternative methods:

- **Email** – [sorell.council@sorell.tas.gov.au](mailto:sorell.council@sorell.tas.gov.au)
- **Phone** – 6269 0000
- **Facebook** – search for Sorell Council
- **Website** – [www.sorell.tas.gov.au](http://www.sorell.tas.gov.au)
- **My Local Services App** – Download the App for free from the App Store or Play Store and use the 'Report It' function to report issues.

If this presents a problem for you please contact us via telephone or email in the first instance to make alternative arrangements.

Council has closed **ALL** our community and sporting facilities. These include:

- ALL playgrounds
- Skate Parks in Dunalley, Dodges Ferry and Sorell
- Sorell Memorial Hall
- Midway Point Community Hall
- Copping Community Hall
- Dodges Ferry Rec Centre
- Dodges Ferry Oval
- Dunalley Community Hall
- Pembroke Park
- Sorell RV Park

All activities in these facilities has ceased and the closures will be in force until further notice.

The Dodges Ferry and Sorell Recycling Centres remain open. However, we ask that users of the facilities remain COVID-19 aware. Please ensure you follow the Government's guidelines on social-distancing regulations and personal protection measures.

Council is implementing our Contingency Plan to help us manage our operations in the coming weeks/months. Our operations will continue as normally as possible. We are encouraging staff to work from home and supporting them to do so. Services such as animal management, waste management, maintenance and capital works program are continuing with appropriate precautions being put in place.

We encourage all members of the community to follow the Department of Health's advice regarding protecting yourself and others from novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and regularly check their website for updates - [www.coronavirus.tas.gov.au](http://www.coronavirus.tas.gov.au)

**DISCLAIMER** – This information is correct as COB Friday 27 March 2020. The pandemic remains ongoing with Government regulations and restrictions changing frequently. Please visit our website for the most up to date information – [www.sorell.tas.gov.au](http://www.sorell.tas.gov.au)

## Council Services over the Easter Holiday Period.

**Council Closure:** The Council Offices will remain closed to the public until further notice.

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

**Kerbside Collection:** All garbage collections will take place as normal over the holiday period.

## COUNCIL DECISIONS

The following decisions were made at the March Council Meeting:

- Council received and noted the Financial Report February 2020 Year to Date.
- Council received and noted the Copping Refuse Disposal Site Joint Authority Reports.
- Council laid the motion on the table to make an application to the Transport Commission to close Payeena Street to vehicles at the Carlton Beach Road end.

## COUNCIL WORKS DEVELOPMENTS

**Current and soon to be commenced Council works and projects as at 1 April 2020:**

- **Dodges Ferry Jetty Replacement** – Work on the replacement is ongoing with work expected to be completed by Easter.
- **Primrose Sands Boat Ramp Toilets** – The Development Application has been lodged with Council and the 14 day advertising period has commenced.
- **Gypsy Bay Boat Ramp Dredging** – The Development Application has been lodged with Crown Land Services and Council, and Council's 14 day advertising period has commenced.
- **Dunalley Boat Ramp Renewal** – Work is almost complete. The boat ramp should be operational by Easter.
- **Urban Street Sealing Program** – Parmere Street will be upgraded from gravel to a sealed standard with associated drainage works. Work has commenced and will be ongoing for several weeks.
- **Forcett Street Footpath** - Work has commenced on the footpath renewal program for Forcett Street between Nash Street and Dodges Court.
- **Pembroke Park** – a scoreboard will be installed on the back oval. The scoreboard has been ordered and the Development Application lodged with Council.
- **Marion Bay Road** – Road repair works will commence on Wednesday 1 April. Works will be ongoing for approximately two weeks.

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