



COUNCIL DECISIONS

The following decisions were made at the January Council Meeting -

- Council received and noted the Executive Summary – Financial Report December 2016 Year-To Date.
- The Sorell Land Supply Strategy was approved.
- Council received and noted the Mid-Year Budget Review.

COUNCIL WORKS DEVELOPMENTS

Current or soon to be commenced works

- Urban Street Sealing Program – Erica Road in Primrose Sands and Ridge Road in Carlton will be upgraded from gravel to a sealed standard.
- Carlton River Bridge into Primrose Sands – Construction will commence 30 January. Further 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. Work has commenced and is ongoing.
- Dunalley – Assembly of two seats, a hard stand area and formalised parking has commenced at the Dunalley end of Fulham Road.
- Dunalley Skate Park – New seating has been constructed.
- Dunalley (Imlay Street Park) – The instalment of shade sail has been completed and the newly constructed toilet facilities are now open for the public.
- Forcett - The re-sheeting of White Hill Rd is underway.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH UPDATE

Immunisation Clinics

Sorell Council ceased providing monthly immunisation clinics at the Sorell Community Health Centre in December 2016. Immunisations are provided by the following practices in the Sorell area: Sorell Family Practice in Cole Street and the Sorell Doctors Surgery in Gordon Street. Both medical practices offer bulk billing for child immunisations. Council is confident the needs of parents and children in our community will be met by these services.

School Immunisation Program 2017

With the new school year fast approaching, Council is reminding parents of year 7 students to keep an eye out for consent forms for the School Immunisation Program for 2017. Consent forms will be sent home from school in February and will need to be returned as quickly as possible to the school. This year's program will offer diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (whooping cough) and human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccines to all year 7 students at Sorell High School, during school hours.

Falls Festival

Sorell Council Environmental Health Officers recently played an active role at the Falls Festival working behind the scenes to protect public health and safety. Their role included the assessment of a number of

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safety factors including: inspection of food outlets, checking planning permit conditions are complied with and ensuring that adequate sanitary facilities, water supply and other services are provided for patrons and staff attending the event.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Changes to Building Act

On 1 January 2017 the New Building Act 2016 commenced which regulates building and plumbing work. The Act introduces new categories of work (low, medium & high risk). High risk work will still require a building or plumbing permit, medium risk work will only require approval from a building surveyor and plumbing permit authority. Low risk work may now be completed by a licenced builder or plumber without needing any approvals.

For more information on the changes please go to the building and plumbing section at www.justice.tas.gov.au Residential Building Work Contracts and Dispute Resolution Act 2016 also commenced on 1 January 2017. This Act applies to all residential building and plumbing contracts over \$20000 and establishes minimum contractual requirements and an obligation on the building practitioner to provide the client with information about consumer rights under the Act. Mandatory warranties, variations, cooling – off periods and dispute mediation and resolution processes are included.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Parking ON or OVER footpaths

Please note that Council Officers will be looking out for such offences. These vehicles block pedestrians from using the pathway system safely and also have the potential to cause damage to the footpaths. Please be aware this offence carries a \$75.00 fine which is payable to Council.

Primrose Sands

Community Conversation

Residents of Primrose Sands are invited to attend the upcoming Community Conversation. Join us for an informal chat with the Mayor, General Manager and Councillors about what's happening in your local community. Meeting details are as follows:

Tuesday 28th February at 6.00pm – Primrose Sands Hall

Council will be holding other Community Conversation meetings across the Municipality during 2017 including Dodges Ferry, Midway Point and Bream Creek. Please see our website for the details of the meeting in your community.

Carlton Beach Shorebird Conservation

NRM Facilitator Amanda Blakney recently assisted in the construction of fencing and signage at Carlton Beach to protect the nesting habitat of the threatened species the Hooded Plover. During summer Hooded Plovers lay their eggs in the sand and are susceptible to disturbance from people and dogs. The eggs are well camouflaged which means they can be accidentally crushed.

What can you do to minimise the risk?

- Adhere to dog prohibited area rules.
- Keep your dog on a lead on the beach.
- Walk along the wet sand.
- Avoid fenced breeding areas.

WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

To ensure our Waste Management Services operate efficiently please consider the following when waste is being collected:

Green Waste:

- Needs to be placed on a tarp, in an open rigid container or tied in bundles. DO NOT put green waste in plastic bags or cardboard boxes as it will not be collected.
- Waste should be less than 1.5metres in length and no thicker than 20cm in diameter.
- The maximum size should not exceed 2 cubic metres.
- Easily lifted by one person.

Hard Waste:

- Waste should be less than 1.5metres in length and no thicker than 20cm in diameter.
- The maximum size should not exceed 2 cubic metres.
- Easily lifted by one person.

Items that will not be collected:

- Fridges and freezers.
- Hazardous material (eg. Tyres, batteries and asbestos).
- Broken glass and building rubble.
- Car bodies and engine blocks.
- Chemical or liquids (eg. Paints and oils).
- Gas bottles.
- Normal household rubbish.

Green and Hard waste should be placed out on the weekend prior to your collection week. Littering fines can be enforced for any items that are placed out earlier than permitted.

Green Waste Collection dates

Week 1 6 - 10 February

Boomer Bay, Carlton, Carlton River, Bream Creek, Connellys Marsh, Copping, Dodges Ferry, Dunalley, Kellevie, Marion Bay, Primrose Sands.

Week 2 13 -17 February

Forcett, Lewisham, Midway Point, Nugent, Orielson, Pawleena, Penna, Sorell, Wattle Hill.

Hard Waste Collection Dates

Week 1 20 – 24 February

Boomer Bay, Carlton, Carlton River, Bream Creek, Connellys Marsh, Copping, Dodges Ferry, Dunalley, Kellevie, Marion Bay, Primrose Sands.

Week 2 27 & 28 February – 1 – 3 March

Forcett, Lewisham, Midway Point, Nugent, Orielson, Pawleena, Penna, Sorell, Wattle Hill.

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

Bookings must be made by MIDDAY FRIDAY THE WEEK PRIOR to your collection.

COUNCIL MEETING:
The next meeting of Sorell Council will be held on Tuesday 21 February 2017 beginning at 6.00pm in the Council Chambers at the Council Offices.

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