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- Keep the lunch cool in the fridge until you are about to leave home.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Southern Beaches Stormwater Surveys

Council is conducting inspections on stormwater infrastructure in the Southern Beaches during January and February 2018. This involves undertaking survey of stormwater maintenance holes and pits with the information gathered being used to assist Council to effectively manage its assets.

Surveyors will need to access maintenance holes and lift the lid to carry out an inspection. Owners of properties with maintenance holes located on the property will have been notified in writing before the inspection.

Council contractors Esk Mapping & GIS will undertake the survey on Council's behalf and Inspections should take no more than 30 minutes. If you have any questions about the survey, please contact Council on 6269 0000.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Primrose Sands

Community Conversation

Residents of Primrose Sands are invited to attend the upcoming Community Conversation. Join us for an informal chat with Council management and Councillors about what's happening in your local community. **Tuesday 13 February at 6.00pm – Primrose Sands Hall** Council will be holding other Community meetings across the Municipality during 2018 including Dunalley, Dodges Ferry and Sorell. Please see our website for the details of the meeting in your community.

My Local Services App

A reminder to residents about the 'My Local Services App' available to smartphone devices. The FREE App can be downloaded on iPhone and Android from the App or Play Store and delivers local information including:

- Green and hard waste bookings
- Rate payment reminders
- Community parks, playgrounds and public toilets
- A 'Report It' function – ability to report local issues such as graffiti, road hazards and rubbish dumping.

New Bus Stops and Signage

Redline Coaches and Council have been liaising over the past 12 months to finalise bus stop locations in the Dodges Ferry and Lewisham areas. As a result, new bus stop signage has been installed along this route. From the start of term 1 2018, these locations will be the only points where the bus service will stop to let passengers on and off from the bus. The bus stops are located in areas where it is safe for the bus to pull over without interrupting traffic flow and for passengers to get on or off the bus safely. The bus stops in the more heavily populated areas have been placed approximately 500m apart so the majority of passengers will walk less than 250m to find their closest bus stop. Ensuring the safety of vulnerable road users has been paramount in these changes.

Australia Day Award Recipients

The Australia Day Awards were presented at a special event on Thursday 25 January at the Sorell Memorial Hall. The Australia Day Awards recognise those individuals in our community who make a significant contribution or achieve something special. Council was pleased to receive so many quality nominations across the four categories.

The 2018 recipients were:

Citizen of the Year – Marsha Batchelor
Young Citizen of the Year – Makayla Claxton
Community Group of the Year – Southern Beaches Regional Arts
Community Event of the Year – Old Mates Day

Council sincerely congratulates these individuals and groups on their well-earned recognition.

Green & Hard Waste Collection Dates

Green Waste

Week 1 5 - 9 February

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

Week 2 12 - 16 February

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

Hard Waste

Week 1 19 - 23 February

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

Week 2 26 February - 2 March

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

To book your collections in the options are as follows:

- Go to our website www.sorell.tas.gov.au/services
- '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).

COUNCIL MEETING:

The next meeting of Sorell Council will be held on **Tuesday 20 March 2018** beginning at 6.00pm in the Council Chambers at the Council Offices.

COUNCIL DECISIONS

The following decisions were made at the January Council Meeting -

- Council received and noted the Financial Report December 2017 year-to-date.
- Council adopted the reviewed Terms of Reference for Pembroke Park Advisory Committee.
- Council approved the Mid-Year Budget Review.
- Council approved the 2018 Audit Panel Work Plan.
- Council received and noted the Audit Panel Minutes from the meeting 14 September 2017.
- Council approved an exemption from the requirement to publicly tender for the supply and installation of the energy efficient streetlights and authorised the General Manager to execute the associated Service Agreement.

COUNCIL WORKS DEVELOPMENTS

Current or soon to be commenced works.

- Urban Street Sealing Program – Meethenar Street and Woodtha Street in Carlton and Paneminner Street in Dodges Ferry will be upgraded from a gravel to a sealed standard.
- General maintenance of our sealed roads, unsealed roads, parks and reserves will continue across the Municipality during February.
- The tender for the Brinktop Road reconstruction was awarded to Andrew Walter Constructions with work expected to take place around April 2018.
- The tender for the Penna Road reconstruction was awarded to Cunningham Holdings P/L with the project now proceeding through the statutory approvals process.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH UPDATE

Fire Hazard Abatement

Council's Municipal Inspector conducted inspections during January on those properties who had Fire Hazard Abatement Notices issued. If the notice hasn't been complied with, Council's contractor will be instructed to clear the property at the owners' expense.

Food Safety Education Back to School Lunches

With the new school year soon to start, parents across our community will be busy making school lunches. Food poisoning bacteria can grow quickly, especially in hot weather and in healthier foods such as salad and cold meats so follow these five simple lunchbox food safety tips to limit the risk of food poisoning for your children:

- When buying lunchboxes choose ones that have room for a frozen drink or freezer block and are easy to clean and dry.
- Always wash and dry your hands thoroughly before preparing food.
- Wash all fruits and vegetables thoroughly.
- Make sure lunchbox foods are always well separated from other foods in the refrigerator, particularly raw meats, chicken and fish.

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