



COUNCIL MINUTES

20 SEPTEMBER 2022

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

COMMUNITY ADMINISTRATION CENTRE (CAC)



MINUTES

FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE
COMMUNITY ADMINISTRATION CENTRE (CAC), 47 COLE STREET, SORELL ON
20 SEPTEMBER 2022

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The meeting opened at 6:00pm.

1.0 ATTENDANCE

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Mayor K Vincent
Deputy Mayor N Reynolds
Councillor K Degrassi
Councillor V Gala
Councillor G Jackson
Councillor C Torenus
Councillor M Reed
Councillor B Nichols

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Robert Higgins – General Manager
Jess Hinchin – Manager HR, Customer and Community Services
Russell Fox – Manager Engineering and Regulatory Services

2.0 APOLOGIES

3.0 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

The Mayor requested any Councillors to indicate whether they had, or were likely to have, a pecuniary interest in any item on the agenda.

No Councillor indicated they had, or were likely to have, a pecuniary interest in any items on the agenda.

4.0 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF 16 AUGUST 2022

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RECOMMENDATION

“That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on the 16th August 2022 be confirmed.”

113/2022 NICHOLS/REYNOLDS

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Reynolds, Torenus, Reed, Nichols, Jackson, Degrassi, Gala



Against: None

The Motion was **CARRIED**

5.0 MAYOR'S REPORT
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RECOMMENDATION

“That the Mayor’s communication report as listed be received.”

114/2022 REED/JACKSON

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Reynolds, Torenus, Reed, Nichols, Jackson, Degrassi, Gala

Against: None

The Motion was **CARRIED**

6.0 SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS
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RECOMMENDATION

“That the Council resolve by absolute majority to deal with any supplementary items not appearing on the agenda, as reported by the General Manager in accordance with the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*.”

In accordance with the requirements of Part 2 Regulation 8 (6) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, the Council by absolute majority may approve the consideration of a matter not appearing on the agenda, where the General Manager has reported:

- a) The reason it was not possible to include the matter on the agenda; and
- b) That the matter is urgent; and
- c) That advice has been provided under section 65 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.



7.0 COUNCIL WORKSHOPS REPORT

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The following Council Workshop was held:

Date	Purpose	Councillor Attendance	Councillor Apologies
6 th Sep 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pembroke Park Function Centre project • LG election candidate information Q&A session • Organisation structure changes • Blue Lagoon SW project • Review of organisation position on community requests to install commemorative plaques, etc • Sorell Rivulet SW management option • Dunalley marina update – security bond 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vincent, Reynolds, Reed, Jackson, Torenus, Nichols, Gala 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DeGrassi

8.0 DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

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RECOMMENDATION

“That the Departmental reports as listed be received.”

115/2022 REED/NICHOLS

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Reynolds, Torenus, Reed, Nichols, Jackson, Degrassi, Gala

Against: None

The Motion was **CARRIED**

9.0 PETITIONS

At the time of preparation of this agenda no petitions had been received.

10.0 LAND USE PLANNING

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The Mayor advised in accordance with the provisions of Part 2 Regulation 25 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, the intention of the



Council to act as a planning authority pursuant to the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 is to be noted.

In accordance with Regulation 25, the Council will act as a planning authority in respect to those matters appearing under item 10 on this agenda, inclusive of any supplementary items.

10.1 DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT SPECIAL COMMITTEE MINUTES
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RECOMMENDATION

“That the minutes of the Development Assessment Special Committee (DASC) Meeting of the 6th September 2022 be noted.”

116/2022 JACKSON/NICHOLS

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Reynolds, Torenus, Reed, Nichols, Jackson, Degrassi, Gala

Against: None

The Motion was **CARRIED**

11.0 GOVERNANCE

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11.1 COPPING REFUSE SITE JOINT AUTHORITY REPORT JUNE QUARTER
RECOMMENDATION

“That the attached Copping Refuse Disposal Site Joint Authority (CRDSJA) Report be received and noted.”

117/2022 NICHOLS/REYNOLDS

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Reynolds, Torenus, Reed, Nichols, Jackson, Degrassi, Gala

Against: None



The Motion was **CARRIED**

11.2 COPPING REFUSE SITE JOINT DISPOSAL AUTHORITY - PROPOSED RULE CHANGES

RECOMMENDATION

- “(a) That Council resolves to endorse the proposed amendment to the rules of Copping Refuse Disposal Site Joint Authority as agreed by the Authority at its meeting on 11 August 2022, and
- (b) Approves advertising the proposed amendment to the rules in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1993 (Tas)*.”

118/2022 REED/NICHOLS

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Reynolds, Torenus, Reed, Nichols, Jackson, Degrassi, Gala

Against: None

The Motion was **CARRIED**

12.0 ENGINEERING & REGULATORY SERVICES

12.1 [^]SOUTHERN TASMANIA REGIONAL CAT MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2021-2026

RECOMMENDATION

“That Council endorse the Southern Tasmania Regional Cat Management Strategy 2021 – 2026 (Attachment 1) and advise the Regional Cat Management Coordinator for the Southern Region of its resolution.”

119/2022 REYNOLDS/REED

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Reynolds, Torenus, Reed, Nichols, Jackson, Degrassi, Gala



Against: None

The Motion was **CARRIED**

12.2 CLIMATE COUNCIL CITIES POWER PARTNERSHIP (CCCPP)

RECOMMENDATION

“That Council resolve to note the organisation’s intention to join the Cities Power Partnership and endorse the attached letter from the Mayor.”

120/2022 TORENIUS/REED

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Reynolds, Torenius, Reed, Nichols, Jackson, Degrassi, Gala

Against: None

The Motion was **CARRIED**

13.0 HR & COMMUNITY SERVICES

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Nil Reports

14.0 FINANCE

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14.1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY – FINANCIAL REPORT AUGUST 2022 YTD

RECOMMENDATION

“That the Executive Summary – FINANCIAL REPORT AUGUST 2022 YEAR-TO-DATE be received and noted by Council.”

121/2022 REED/JACKSON

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Reynolds, Torenius, Reed, Nichols, Jackson, Degrassi, Gala

Against: None



The Motion was **CARRIED**

The open meeting concluded at 6.54 pm.

15.0 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

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In accordance with Regulation 31 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, Council will conduct a Public Question Time.

At each meeting the Mayor will invite those members of the public present to ask questions. When requested please:

- Stand up; and
- State clearly your name and address.

This time is allocated for questions from the public. Questions are to be kept brief and specific to the topic to which they relate.

Members of the public are reminded that questions and any answers to such questions are not to be debated.

Questions may be submitted to Council in writing at least seven (7) days before an ordinary Council meeting.

Sharon Fotheringham asked if Council were aware of the Air Services Charter meeting.

Mayor Vincent responded that he was unsure of the meeting date but this meeting was to do with the Hobart Airport Master Plan which is an operational plan for the airport and not directly relating to flight paths and flight times.

Andrew Murfet of Lewisham questioned why money was being spent on upgrading an already operational footpath between Mary and Hurst Streets when there are other areas without any footpaths. And further, that the effect of these works has resulted in the removal of an established hedge to the detriment of the owners.

The General Manager advised that our asset management practice is to maintain/renew/replace our existing assets first and then subject to remaining funds, that these can be allocated to new or upgraded assets as a. Condition assessment reports are conducted to determine when footpath assets are replaced.



CLOSED MEETING

Members are advised that items listed below in the CLOSED SESSION AGENDA are classified as CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993.

A Councillor must not discuss any item listed in a CLOSED SESSION AGENDA with any person (except another elected member, the General Manager or the author of a report to the closed session of Council or a Council Committee) without a specific resolution of the Council or a Council Committee that considered the report.

Section 338A (1) of the Local Government Act 1993 states that a Councillor must not disclose information:

- (a) seen or heard by the Councillor at a meeting or part of a meeting of a council or council committee that is closed to the public that is not authorised by the council or council committee to be disclosed; or*
- (b) given to the Councillor by the mayor, deputy mayor, chairperson of a meeting of the council or council committee or the general manager on the condition that it be kept confidential.*

Section 338A (3) states that a member must not disclose information acquired as such a member on the condition that it be kept confidential.

Additionally, Section 339 of the Local Government Act 1993 states that:

- (1) A councillor or a member must not make improper use of any information acquired as a councillor or member.*
- (3) Improper use of information includes using the information –*
 - (a) to gain, directly or indirectly, an advantage or to avoid, directly or indirectly, a disadvantage for oneself, a member of one's family or a close associate; or*
 - (b) to cause any loss or damage to any council, controlling authority, single authority, joint authority or person.*



The Closed Meeting commenced at 6.54 pm.

16.0 CLOSED MEETING

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The General Manager advised that in his opinion the listing of agenda item/s:

Reference	Item
16.1	Confirmation of the Closed Council Minutes of the Council Meeting of 16 August 2022 – <i>Regulation 34(3)</i>
16.2	Disclosure of confidential information – <i>Regulation 15(8)</i>
16.3	Copping Refuse Disposal Site Joint Authority Minutes August – <i>Regulation 15(2)(c)</i>
16.4	Re-sheeting Program 2022-2023 – <i>Regulation 15(2)(d)</i>
16.5	Sorell Council Audit Panel Meeting Minutes – <i>Regulation 15(2)(g)</i>

As prescribed items in accordance with Regulations 15 and 34 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, and therefore Council may by absolute majority determine to close the meeting to the general public.

RECOMMENDATION

“That the meeting be closed to the public to enable Council to consider agenda items 16.1 - 16.5 which are confidential matters as prescribed in Regulations 34 and 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.”

122/2022 REYNOLDS/JACKSON

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Reynolds, Torenus, Reed, Nichols, Jackson, Degrassi, Gala

Against: None

The Motion was **CARRIED**



16.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE CLOSED MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF 16 AUGUST 2022

RECOMMENDATION

“That the Closed Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 16th August 2022 be confirmed.”

123/2022 NICHOLS/REYNOLDS

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Reynolds, Torenus, Reed, Nichols, Jackson, Degrassi, Gala

Against: None

The Motion was **CARRIED**

16.2 AUTHORISATION TO DISCLOSE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

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RECOMMENDATION

“That in accordance with Regulation 15(9) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to disclose information from this ‘Closed Section’ of this meeting in the course of implementing the decisions of Council.”

124/2022 REED/JACKSON

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Reynolds, Torenus, Reed, Nichols, Jackson, Degrassi, Gala

Against: None

The Motion was **CARRIED**



16.3 COPPING REFUSE DISPOSAL SITE JOINT AUTHORITY MINUTES - AUGUST

125/2022 NICHOLS/REED

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Reynolds, Torenus, Reed, Nichols, Jackson, Degrassi, Gala

Against: None

The Motion was **CARRIED**

16.4 RE-SHEETING PROGRAM 2022-2023

126/2022 NICHOLS/GALA

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Reynolds, Torenus, Reed, Nichols, Degrassi, Gala

Against: None

The Motion was **CARRIED**

Councillor Jackson was made aware one of the contractors involved in the Tender, (Crossroads) is owned by Hazell Bros whom is a major customer of his employer. Councillor Jackson abstained from voting on item 16.4.

16.5 SORELL COUNCIL AUDIT PANEL MEETING MINUTES

127/2022 REED/NICHOLS

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Reynolds, Torenus, Reed, Nichols, Jackson, Degrassi, Gala

Against: None

The Motion was **CARRIED**

The Closed Meeting concluded at 7.10 pm.



17.0 ACRONYMNS

AGM	Annual General Meeting
AFL	Australian Football League
AIR	Australian Immunisation Register
ASU	Australian Services Union
ATO	Australian Taxation Office
AWTS	Aerated Wastewater Treatment Systems
BEST	Business and Employment Southeast Tasmania
CAC	Community Administration Centre
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CLRS	Councillors
CPR	Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation
CRM	Customer Request Management
CRDSJA	Copping Refuse Disposal Site Joint Authority
DASC	Development Assessment Special Committee
DOE	Department of Education
DPAC	Department of Premier & Cabinet
DPFEM	Department of Police, Fire and Emergency Management
DSG	Department of State Growth
DST	Destination Southern Tasmania
EBA	Enterprise Bargaining Agreement
EOI	Expressions of Interest
EOFY	End of Financial Year
EPA	Environment Permit Authority
EWaste	Electronic Waste
FMAC	Fire Management Assessment Committee
GM	General Manager
ICT	Information Communication Technology
LGAT	Local Government Association of Tasmania
LPS	Local Provisions Schedule
LTFP	Long Term Financial Plan
LTI	Lost Time Injury
MAST	Marine & Safety Tasmania
MERS	Manager Engineering & Regulatory Services
MEMC	Municipal Emergency Management Committee
NBN	National Broadband Network
NRE	Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania
NRM	Natural Resource Management
PWS	Parks and Wildlife Service
RACT	Royal Automobile Clube of Tasmania
RDA	Regional Development Australia
RSL	Returned Services League
RTI	Right to Information
SBIP	School Based Immunisation Program



SEI	South East Irrigation
SEBA	South East Basketball Association
SENA	South East Netball Association
SERDA	South East Region Development Association
SEUFC	South East United Football Club
SES	State Emergency Service
SFC	Sorell Football Club
SFL	Southern Football League
SMH	Sorell Memorial Hall
SMT	Senior Management Team
STCA	Southern Tasmanian Councils Association
STRWA	Southern Tasmanian Regional Waste Authority
SWS	Southern Waste Solutions
TasCAT	Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal
TAO	Tasmanian Audit Office
TCF	Tasmanian Community Fund
TOR	Terms of Reference
UTAS	University of Tasmania

