



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) MINUTES

13 DECEMBER 2022

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

COMMUNITY ADMINISTRATION CENTRE (CAC)



MINUTES FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)
HELD AT THE SORELL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON TUESDAY 13 DECEMBER 2022

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The meeting commenced at 5.33 pm.

1.0 OPENING OF MEETING, WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

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2.0 ATTENDANCE

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Mayor K Vincent
Deputy Mayor C Wooley
Councillor M Brown
Councillor J Gatehouse
Councillor M Miro Quesada Le Roux
Councillor M Reed
Councillor N Reynolds
Councillor C Torenus

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Robert Higgins – General Manager
Jess Hinchin – Manager, HR Community and Customer Service

3.0 APOLOGIES

Councillor S Campbell

4.0 MEETING PROCEDURES

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1. The Annual General Meeting is a meeting of the Council. However, unlike other Council meetings, everyone in attendance is able to participate in the meeting. It is therefore important that questions and comments be kept brief and to the point and that common courtesy prevails when other people are speaking.
2. As the minutes of the meeting are recorded, speakers should identify themselves before speaking (i.e. full name and suburb where you reside).
3. All discussion should be addressed through the Chair.
4. Before debating any Motion, the Motion is required to be Moved and Seconded.
5. Only one Motion may be before the Chair at any one time.
6. In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, voting is by a show of hands, and only electors of the Sorell municipal area are entitled to vote.



7. A motion is passed by one half of the electors plus one voting in favour of it.
8. Any motion passed at the Annual General Meeting will be considered at the first ordinary Council Meeting on 17th January 2023.

5.0 ANNUAL REPORT 2021/2022

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Copies of the Annual Report are available at the Council Offices and on the Council Website.

In accordance with Section 72(2)(d) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council publicly notified the availability of the Annual Report and invited submissions.

5.1 MOTION – ANNUAL REPORT 2021/2022

“That the Annual Report 2021/2022 including the Financial Statements be presented to Council.”

1/2022 REED/BROWN

“That the recommendation be accepted.”

The motion was put.

For: Vincent, Wooley, Reynolds, Torenus, Reed, Brown, Gatehouse, Miró Quesada Le Roux

Against:

The Motion was **CARRIED**

6.0 SUBMISSIONS FOR ISSUES TO BE DISCUSSED

Submissions for issues to be discussed at the Annual General Meeting was advertised in the Mercury Newspaper on 16th and 23rd November with a closing date of COB Friday, 2nd December 2022.

One submission was received (refer below).

Sent: Friday, 2 December 2022 3:16 PM

To: Robert Higgins <Robert.Higgins@sorell.tas.gov.au>

Cc: Kerry Vincent <kerry.vincent@sorell.tas.gov.au>;

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AGENDA

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Subject: Annual Report - Submission to Council

Dear Mr Higgins,

It is pleasing to see that the Carriage Shed Restoration is nearing completion. As part of this project, has provision been made in the landscaping budget for historically accurate and engaging interpretation material outside the building, particularly near the entrance? This could be included in any landscaping work as stand-alone weatherproof aluminium panels, so as not to intrude on the fabric of the building, and be of a design consistent with other council signage.

The Historical Society of the Municipality of Sorell (Inc.) highlighting the historical significance of the building to be an essential part of the restoration project and we are keen to assist Council in engaging with the Arts and Culture Committee, other community stakeholders and have expertise in researching and producing appropriate historical interpretation material.

Regards

Peta Kelly

President of the Historical Society of the Municipality of Sorell (Inc.)

2/12/2022

Response from General Manager:

Project funding of \$371,591.00 was provided by the Federal Government through the Local Roads & Community Infrastructure Program to carry out structural and restoration works to the Rail Shed. Council was required to contribute an additional \$30,000.00.

Consent was subsequently granted by Infrastructure Australia to increase the scope of work to include the installation of flooring and perimeter foundation drainage (inclusive of minor make good landscaping treatment). No interpretive signage was provided in the original or revised scope.

The project budget has been fully expended.

Additional funding for interpretive signage will be required to be considered as part of the 2022/23 MYBR or 2023/24 operating budget.



7.0 QUESTIONS

Sharon Fotheringham of Forcett requested Council write a letter of support on behalf of residents to Air Services Australia to move current flight paths.

Mayor Vincent responded that the General Manager is in the process of drafting a letter of support pending the outcome of discussions with a Primrose Sands resident to ascertain the current consultation process and the best approach for Council to adopt. Mayor Vincent advised that he has made contact with the Hobart Airport to see where things are sitting with them.

2/2022 FOTHERINGHAM/BIGGAR

“That Council discuss and consider Leave of Absence terms of Elected Members and whether this should be restricted to a limited number.”

The motion was put.

Favour: All electors voted for the motion.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Diedre Biggar of Dodges Ferry questioned who owns the strip of land in front of First Avenue, Dodges Ferry.

The General Manager advised that he had no further information on this matter but will continue to follow up through the Public Trustee.

Diedre further questioned if we could use our bushranger history as a theme to promote Sorell.

Mayor Vincent advised that as discussed at the previous meeting Council are considering matters around the identity and culture of our township particularly post bypass. There have been a few people that have indicated they would like to be involved, ideas have been collated and we will be looking at this in the new year once a budget consideration has been made as required.

3/2022 PURDON/GILBERT

“That Council discuss and address the acoustics in the Council chambers including any required changes.”

The motion was put.

Favour: All electors voted for the motion.



The motion was CARRIED.

8.0 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 5.58 pm.



9.0 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
DEDTA	Department Economic Development, Tourism & The Arts
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 Tasmania 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

