

## **11 EXECUTIVE SERVICES**

Nil Reports

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## 12 NOTICES OF MOTION

### 12.1 NOTICE OF MOTION: NO. 989 - COUNCILLOR REQUEST STATUS

**Author:** *Councillor David Atkinson*

**File No:** *CR/01/083*

**Attachments:** *Nil*

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I hereby give notice of my intention to move the following motion at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 21 September 2020.

#### MOTION

**THAT** Council officers prepare two summary reports on the groupings of councillor requests since the beginning of 2017 and report back to council. One report for those submitted by Councillors themselves and the other for those raised by residents via a councillor. An example of groupings could be Drainage issues, Road issues, footpath issues.

#### 1. COUNCILLOR COMMENT

- 1.1 Councillors are nearing completion of this four-year term, and it would be good to see a snapshot of some common issues. This may assist in directing the new council and Chief Executive Officer on some common issues to possibly focus on.

#### 2. OFFICER COMMENT

- 2.1 Officers are able to use the monthly councillor request reports generated to extract this information.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Cr David Atkinson

Date: 09 September 2020

**12.2 NOTICE OF MOTION: NO. 990 - NOMINATION OF IDENTIFICATION SIGNAGE AND TRAIL EXPERIENCE AT MONUMENT HILL**

**Author:** *Councillor Annie Goble*

**File No:** *RE/03/040*

**Attachments:** *Nil*

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I hereby give notice of my intention to move the following motion at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 21 September 2020.

**MOTION**

**THAT** Council officers provide a report in regard to the location of, costings of and the installation of, signs that identify direction and length of the trails throughout Monument Hill.

**1. COUNCILLOR COMMENT**

- 1.1 Included in the report should be the possible development of a map that CLEARLY shows the overall area with trails identified and distances marked. This map can then be used in brochures and other literature, Council website and also large signs that can be strategically placed around the area. These signs can then be photographed by walkers/cyclists etc. and can be referenced when needed. This project needs to have consistency with other identified walking/cycling projects within the Shire, so there is a uniformity of design and content.

**2. OFFICER COMMENT**

- 2.1 Council's Environmental team has been proactive in the space and continues to support outcomes that will improve the visitor and educational experience to Monument Hill.
- 2.2 The 2020-21 Budget has provisions to repair some of the tracks within the Monument Hill Reserve. Council officers are working with DELWP to collate the necessary information to formally notify the Taungurung Land and Water Council (TLaWC) of the capital works project, as it has been identified as a negotiation activity and requires approval under the Land Use Activity Agreement, which commenced on the 11 August 2020.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Cr Annie Goble

Date: 09 September 2020

**12.3 NOTICE OF MOTION: NO. 991 - SCENIC ROUTES**

**Author:** *Councillor Annie Goble*

**File No:** *RE/03/040*

**Attachments:** *Nil*

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I hereby give notice of my intention to move the following motion at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 21 September 2020.

**MOTION**

**THAT** Council officers prepare a report to Councillors regarding scenic drives throughout the Shire. There needs to be a costing for signage of these drives of which have been brought to the attention of staff over the past few years e.g.: the scenic drive from Tooborac to either Lancefield or Tooborac to Pyalong as an alternative to staying on the Northern Highway. These drives need to be measured and mapped for obvious reasons.

**1. COUNCILLOR COMMENT**

- 1.1 This would include identifying suitable routes, and exploring tourism route signage development and costs, collateral development, digital and traditional marketing opportunities.

**2. OFFICER COMMENT**

- 2.1 The Tourism and Visitor Economy Plan 2020 – 2024 (T&VEP) has identified a number of competitive strengths for the shire's visitor economy to capitalise on, including:
- its scenery, environment, country feel and authenticity;
  - the Shire's unique small towns; and
  - opportunities to develop itineraries that encourage self-drive visitors off main roads to explore picturesque back roads and the shire's diverse landscapes.
- 2.2 The T&VEP includes several actions which aim to facilitate better product and destination development, and promotion and product packaging, of existing tracks, trails and driving routes to increase dispersal and length of stay and spend. The request could be met this year by starting development of proposed driving routes. There has been no budget allocated across 20/21 for signage and collateral development in this market space. It will also be important to consider the potential impact of increased traffic on unsealed roads in the shire should they be included in

NOTICE OF MOTION: NO. 991 - SCENIC ROUTES (CONT.)

any drive experience. Officers will also need to liaise with Regional Roads Victoria and Visit Victoria to discuss viability of signage applications and ensure that they can adhere to relevant requirements set out in the Regional Roads Signage Guidelines.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Cr Annie Goble

Date: 09 September 2020

**12.4 NOTICE OF MOTION: NO. 992 - CREEK CROSSING SAFETY MEASURES**

**Author:** *Councillor Bill Chisholm*

**File No:** *GV/10/030*

**Attachments:** *Nil*

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I hereby give notice of my intention to move the following motion at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 21 September 2020.

**MOTION**

**THAT** Council officers prepare a report to investigate the feasibility of installing additional safety measures at a number of Creek crossings in Mitchell Shire. In particular but not limited to the Delatite Road, Seymour and Waterford Park Clonbinane, crossings. This report should explore the possible use of ex-railway boom gates (refurbished) or other measures that will enhance safety at these floodways.

**1. COUNCILLOR COMMENT**

- 1.1 After attending an MEMPC. meeting it was pointed out that the visual warning system is automatically activated in the event of water over the road. However, in a worst-case scenario for Seymour it can take anything up to 30 min to get physical barriers in place. With the current discussions taking place with rail authorities it may be possible to undertake a joint venture on the re installation of refurbished railway Boom gates at these two sites. This report should explore the possible/use of ex railway boom gates at either end of the floodway. Further that second-hand boom gates means refurbished boom gates, possibly from the railways level crossing removal program or explore any other additional safety measures that may be deemed appropriate.

**2. OFFICER COMMENT**

- 2.1 Council has the ability to close roads for emergency purposes. Currently this largely occurs via portable road closed barriers and is deployed at the request and direction of emergency services. This response has been considered commensurate with the potential risk of the situation.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Cr Bill Chisholm

Date: 10 September 2020

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NOTICE OF MOTION: NO. 993 - OLD GOULBURN RIVER BRIDGE (CONT.)

**12.5 NOTICE OF MOTION: NO. 993 - OLD GOULBURN RIVER BRIDGE**

**Author:** *Councillor Fiona Stevens*

**File No:** *CT/05/231*

**Attachments:** *Nil*

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I hereby give notice of my intention to move the following motion at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 21 September 2020.

**MOTION**

**THAT** Council officers:

1. Prepare a report including, but not limited to:

- A copy of the latest condition audit of the Old Goulburn River Bridge
  - An overview of discussions with, and views held by, community representatives inclusive of their design expectations; along with intended uses and community vision for the structure Design options for the redevelopment of the Old Goulburn River Bridge
  - Design options for the redevelopment of the Old Goulburn Bridge with a conscious focus on meeting the expectations, functions and vision as outlined by the community representatives
  - Preferred option to then be advanced in to detailed construction level engineering design drawings which will be used to inform budget submissions, and external grant opportunities maximising all funding opportunities in the current COVID environment and beyond.
- 2. That this report be brought before Council at the next sitting of the Ordinary Council Meeting for 2020 after completion of the caretaker and election period.

**1. COUNCILLOR COMMENT**

- 1.1 The community of Seymour have had a long commitment, over 20 years, to the rebuild of the old Goulburn River Bridge. This is as strong as ever today. Many presentations have come before us for budget consideration along with considerable evidence of its Historical, recreational, tourism and wellbeing benefits. Budget allocations have been made to progress; however, the timeframes have been totally unacceptable. This has been actively with Council for approximately 15 years.
- 1.2 The bridge was originally constructed in 1862 and although changed in both design and use over years remains of considerable historical significance and is valued by its community. It must be noted Mitchell Shire Council has a legislated obligation to maintain this bridge. It must be protected from further deterioration as outlined in a report brought before Council in December 2018.

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- 1.3 In June 2019 Council committed to action stabilisation works as mishandling of the structure had allowed more deterioration to occur.
- 1.4 Substantial dollars have already been spent and yet no advancement has been made to even finalise the design and bring to a construction position. The community representatives have been working with Council for months now, to inform them of their design expectations. Engineering construction level designs and estimated costs are required to move this project in to an area where funding options can be explored in a timely manner. The COVID environment is presenting previously unheard-of funding opportunities and we must be positioned to take full advantage.
- 1.5 This is the aim of this Notice of Motion.

## **2. OFFICER COMMENT**

- 2.1 The actions outlined in this Notice of Motion are consistent with strategic work currently underway.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Cr Fiona Stevens

Date: 15 September 2020



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## 13 DELEGATES REPORTS

### 13.1 DELEGATE REPORT - OVERVIEW AND UPDATE ON ACTIVITIES AND DELEGATE DELIBERATIONS

**Author:** Lidia Harding - Manager Governance & Corporate Accountability

**File No:** CL/04/001-03

**Attachments:** 1. Councillor Delegate Report - August 2020

#### 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 This delegate's report provides an update on activities and deliberations of groups and associations for which Councillors are an appointed delegate for the period August 2020 and also other activities attended as a Council representative.

#### RECOMMENDATION

**THAT** Council receive and note the Delegate's Report on Overview and Update on Activities and Delegate Deliberation by Councillors for August 2020 be received and noted.

#### 2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The 2016 Council Elections were held on 22 October 2016. New committee and organisation delegates were appointed on 25 November 2019. This report is presented in response to NOM 881 of the 21 November 2016 meeting which requested that each Councillor submits a Delegate Report for inclusion in the monthly Council Meeting agenda, commencing from the December 2016 meeting. The requirement for what should be included in a delegate report was amended at the Council meeting on 20 April 2020 as follows:
- 2.2 The Delegates Reports will include:
- a) Activities attended as a nominated Council Delegate as per the list of Committee appointments at the annual Statutory Meeting; and
  - b) Other publicly advertised activities attended as an invited representative of Council.
- 2.3 The Report will not include:
- a) Assemblies of Councillors (as they are already reported in Council Agendas);
  - b) Private activities, discussions or meetings with staff and/or community members.

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(CONT.)

The Report should be verifiable by the Councillor from the Councillor's Council Diary.

**3. DISCUSSION**

- 3.1 Given the restrictions as a result of COVID-19 Councillors have attended meetings online and in person where possible in this period as per their appointments as delegate and other activities as a Council representative as per Attachment 1.

**Councillor Delegate Report – August 2020**

**Cr David Atkinson**

Cr Atkinson submitted the following Delegate report for this period:

19 August 2020 - Goulburn Broken Greenhouse Alliance meeting. Hume City Council did a presentation for Climate Change Regional Adaptation Strategy [RAS] to the Goulburn Broken Greenhouse Alliance. Climate ready Hume is a 2 year program which is undertaking extensive community consultation

12 August 2020 - Final Broadford Land Management Group Committee of Management meeting. This was a sad, but also a historical meeting, as it was the last meeting to close this COM after 14 years of dedicated community service. They provided many working bees and a huge caretakers role for the Colin Officer Reserve

Other meetings and events attended as a Council representative include:

12 August 2020 - Kilmore Creek meeting with Cr Humm and officers

12 August 2020 - C151: Kilmore S/E rezone submission meeting with Cr Humm and officers

21 August 2020 - *Local Government Act 2020* - implementation matters. Completed a summary for other councillors and officers

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**Cr Bill Chisholm**

Nil report.

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**Cr Bob Cornish**

Nil report.

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**Cr Rob Eldridge**

Nil report.

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**Cr Annie Goble**

Nil report.

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**Cr Bob Humm**

Nil report.

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**Cr David Lowe**

Cr Lowe submitted the following Delegate report for this period:

21 August 2020 - GVWRRG Board Meeting

Other meetings and events attended as a Council representative include:

4 August 2020 - Interface Council Meeting Labor Party MPs

4 August 2020 - Interface Council Meeting Coalition MPs

4 August 2020 – Interface Council Meeting Minor Parties and Independents

5 August 2020 - Council Agenda meeting with Acting Chief Executive Officer Mary Agostino

8 August 2020 - Youth Council Induction meeting

11 August 2020 - Council Agenda meeting with Acting Chief Executive Officer Mary Agostino

12 August 2020 - C139 meeting with Travis Conway, Manager Strategic Planning

12 August 2020 - Seymour Structure Plan Discussion

12 August 2020 - Interface Council Meeting Robert Larocca (CoS Natalie Hutchins)

13 August 2020 - Interface Council Meeting with Martin Foley, Minister for Mental Health

13 August 2020 - Interface Council Meeting with Jaala Pulford, Minister for Employment

14 August 2020 - Covid-19 Discussion

18 August 2020 - ABC World Today Radio Programme

19 August 2020 - BIFT meeting with Acting Chief Executive Officer Mary Agostino

21 August 2020 - *Local Government Act 2020* Briefing DELWP

24 August 2020 - North and West City Deal

25 August 2020 – Mayor and CEO Video

26 August 2020 - Strategic Risk Mtg ex Audit Committee

27 August 2020 - Northern Council Alliance Meeting Mayors and CEOs

28 August 2020 - HRLGN Strategic Planning Day

31 August 2020 - Meeting with Danielle Green, Brett Luxford, Chief Executive Officer and Health Service providers regarding the Family Violence Announcement

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**Cr Rhonda Sanderson**

Cr Sanderson submitted the following Delegate report for this period:

Meetings and events attended as a delegate:

5 August 2020 - Australian Local Government Women's Association 2020 Annual Bursary Award Announcement, online

20 August 2020 - Australian Local Government Women's Association event, online

Other meetings and events attended as a Council representative include:

13 August 2020 - Seymour Business & Tourism (Go Seymour) meeting, online

21 August 2020 - Local Government Victoria 'Local Government Act 2020 Implementation Webinar'

26 August 2020 - Municipal Association of Victoria 'Cyber Safety for Councillors', online

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**Cr Fiona Stevens**

Nil report.

**14 GENERAL BUSINESS****15 URGENT BUSINESS****16 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS****RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** in accordance with Section 66(1) and 66(2)(a) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, Council resolves to close the meeting to members of the public to consider the following items which relate to matters specified under Section 3(1), as specified below.

**16.1 Confirmation of Minutes of previous Confidential Meeting**

s3(1)h confidential meeting information, being the records of meetings closed to the public under section 66(2)(a)

The Minutes of the previous confidential meeting of Council contain information that has been determined by Council to be confidential in accordance with s3(1) of the Local Government Act 2020.

**16.2 RFT132733 Landfill Waste Acceptance and Disposal**

s3(1)(a) Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released.

**16.3 RFT132709 - Greenhill Reserve - Upper Oval Lighting Upgrade Project**

s3(1)(h) Confidential meeting information, being the records of meetings closed to the public under section 66(2)(a).

**16.4 Variation to Contract Value - White Street Rehabilitation Stage 2**

s3(1)(g)(ii) Private commercial information, being information provided by a business, commercial or financial undertaking that if released, would unreasonably expose the business, commercial or financial undertaking to disadvantage

Procurement Report Related.

**16.5 Re-opening of Meeting to members of the public****17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Ordinary meeting of Council is scheduled to be held on Monday 19 October 2020 at the Mitchell Council Chambers, 113 High Street Broadford, commencing at 7:00pm.

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**18 CLOSE OF MEETING**