



Minutes

Hearing of Submissions Committee
Tuesday, 5 June 2018

Held in the
Council Chambers
1 Merrijig Drive, Torquay
Commencing at 6.00pm

Council:

Cr David Bell (Mayor)
Cr Libby Coker
Cr Martin Duke
Cr Clive Goldsworthy
Cr Rose Hodge
Cr Carol McGregor
Cr Brian McKitterick (Leave of Absence)
Cr Margot Smith
Cr Heather Wellington

MINUTES FOR THE HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS MEETING OF SURF COAST SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 1 MERRIJIG DRIVE, TORQUAY
ON TUESDAY 5 JUNE 2018 COMMENCING AT 6.00PM

PRESENT:

Cr David Bell (Mayor)
Cr Martin Duke
Cr Rose Hodge
Cr Carol McGregor
Cr Margot Smith
Cr Heather Wellington

In Attendance:

CEO – Keith Baillie
General Manager Governance & Infrastructure – Anne Howard
General Manager Environment and Development – Ransce Salan
General Manager Culture & Community – Chris Pike
Manager Finance – John Brockway
Coordinator Management Accounting - Gabby Spiller
Accountant – Tim Dickson

54 members of the public
1 member of the press

APOLOGIES:

Cr Libby Coker

Committee Resolution

MOVED Cr Clive Goldsworthy, Seconded Cr Margot Smith

That an apology be received from Cr Libby Coker.

CARRIED 7:0

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Committee Resolution

MOVED Cr Clive Goldsworthy, Seconded Cr Margot Smith

That the Hearing of Submissions Committee note the minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2018 as a correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED 7:0

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:

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SUBMITTERS HEARD

1. Great Ocean Road Coast Committee – Vanessa Schernickau
2. Lorne Aquatic and Angling Club – David Worth
3. Stephen Roffey
4. Juliet Beatty
5. Anglesea Community Network – Peter Doyle

6. Anglesea Recreation & Sports Club – Peter Doyle
7. Torquay Football and Netball Club – Jennifer Wood

Break

8. Save Anglesea - Regina Gleeson
9. Growing Winchelsea – Jenny Mathison and Michelle Stocks
10. Anglesea Community House – Jim Tutt
11. Committee for Lorne – Ian Stewart
12. Anglesea Netball Club – Andrew Hobbs
13. 3228 Residents Association – Sue O’Shanassy
14. Torquay Theatre Troupe – George Carman and Michael Baker
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General Manager: Anne Howard

Department: Finance

File No: F18/678

Division: Governance & Infrastructure

Trim No: IC18/790

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1. Order of Speakers - 5 June 2018 (D18/67373)

Officer Direct or Indirect Conflict of Interest:

In accordance with Local Government Act 1989 – Section 80C:

Yes

No

Status:

Information classified confidential in accordance with Local Government Act 1989 – Section 77(2)(c):

Yes

No

Reason: S78(E) Indirect Interest impact on residential amenity (Anne Howard)

Reason: Nil

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to present submissions received during the public exhibition of the draft Annual Budget 2018-2019 to the Hearing of Submissions Committee and allow submitters to be heard where they have requested to address the committee in person.

Summary

At its meeting held on Tuesday 24 April 2018, Council resolved to publicly exhibit the draft Annual Budget 2018-19 and publish a public notice inviting submissions in accordance with section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

Generally, Council is required to prepare and adopt an Annual Budget by 30 June each year pursuant to Section 130(3) of the Local Government Act 1989. Prior to final adoption of the budget, the Act requires Council to receive and consider public submissions.

As a consequence of the public exhibition period, 29 public submissions were received of which 15 submitters have requested to be heard in person. An organisation submission to the budget has also been submitted.

Council will consider the draft Annual Budget 2018-19 for adoption at its Council meeting scheduled on Tuesday 26 June 2018.

Officers have written to all submitters thanking them for making a submission to the Annual Budget.

1.1 Submissions to the Draft Annual Budget 2018-19

Summary of Submissions

A total number of 29 submissions were received:

No.	Submitter	Township	Summary of Submission	Requested Funds
Speaking at Hearing of Submissions				
29	Great Ocean Road Coast Committee	Lorne	Request contribution towards Point Grey Redevelopment	\$250,000
14	Lorne Aquatic & Angling Club	Lorne	Request contribution toward LAAC contribution towards Point Grey Redevelopment (in 2019-20)	\$100,000
3	Individual	Torquay	Ocean Acres Nature Reserve Management Plan	Not Specified
12	Individual	Deans Marsh	New Footpath	Not Specified
13	Individual	Deans Marsh	New Footpath	Not Specified
15	Anglesea Community Network	Anglesea	Anglesea Streetscape projects	\$50,000
16	Torquay Football & Cricket Club	Torquay	Request funding for safety nets behind goals and new coaches boxes	\$115,000
17	Anglesea Community House	Anglesea	Request 2 nd Resource Recovery Officer for Anglesea Resale Shed	Not Specified
18	Growing Winchelsea	Winchelsea	1. Traffic Management around Visitor Information Centre 2. Infrastructure security planning land allocation 3. Barwon River loop walk 4. Funding to support youth programs	Not Specified
20	3228 Residents Association	Torquay	1. Impact study on population increase 2. Additional resources for Council's planning department 3. Funding to define the character of Torquay 4. Funding to complete Torquay town centre strategy 5. Increased Council resources for compliance of road openings and planning permits	Not Specified
21	Anglesea Netball Club	Anglesea	Netball court shelter sheds	\$28,700
23	Connewarre & District Riding Club	Connewarre	Construct dressage arenas	\$45,000
26	Committee for Lorne	Lorne	Funding for Lorne Aspirations Plan	\$20,000
27	Torquay Theatre Troupe	Torquay	Performing arts space in Torquay	\$30,000 in year 1 and \$750,000 in year 2
28	Anglesea Recreation & Sports Club	Anglesea	Solar upgrades and fire-proofing of Anglesea Rowing Shed	\$35,000

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No.	Submitter	Township	Summary of Submission	Requested Funds
Not Speaking at Hearing of Submissions				
1	Globe Theatre Committee of Management	Winchelsea	Heating and cooling upgrade for the Globe Theatre	\$40,000
2	Individual	Torquay	Community swimming pool, or vouchers for locals to use RACV facility	Not Specified
4	Individual	Torquay	Relocate lamppost on Surf Coast Highway	Not Specified
5	Individual	Torquay	Extend artwork program on utility boxes around Torquay	Not Specified
6	Individual	Lorne	Construct a pathway on Otway St Lorne	Not Specified
7	Individual	Shire Wide	Increase funding for roads	Not Specified
8	Individual	Shire Wide	Increase funding for arts programs	\$10,000
9	Individual	Shire Wide	New funding to support LGBTIQ community members	Not Specified
10	Individual	Torquay	School Crossing Supervisors at various points in the north of Torquay	Not Specified
11	AngAir	Anglesea	Protection for sites of geologic significance	\$5,000
19	Platypus Toy Library	Anglesea	Funding for 35 th anniversary celebrations	Not Specified
22	Individual	Shire Wide	No increase in animal registration fees	Not Specified
24	Individual	Torquay	Sealing of Point Impossible Road	Not Specified
25	Coles Coaches	Shire Wide	More funding for local roads, particularly Elkington Road near Anglesea	Not Specified

1.1 Submissions to the Draft Annual Budget 2018-19

Organisational Submissions Received:

No.	Summary of Submission	Recurrent	Non-Recurrent
1	Surf Coast Highway Nature Strip		(\$45,000)
2	Torquay Parking options study (through Business Improvement Program)		(\$35,000)
3	Remove recreation and open space budget that was funded through May 2018 Council resolution (ie. Anglesea Bike Park allocation now addressed)		\$200,000
4	Adjustments to employee benefits as a result of further refinements	(\$95,677)	
5	Include additional resources through casual labour budget to support growth in Council's youth development services	(\$25,000)	
6	Additional Information Technology resources to meet increasing demand for technical support (significant increase in sites, staff, devices etc over the last 8 years and has not been addressed – essential to organisational support)	(\$96,727)	
7	Additional planning compliance resources	(\$62,400)	
8	Update Victorian Grants Commission funding per latest advice indicating an uplift in revenue.	\$140,000	
9	Adjustments to income received on behalf of reserve committees	(\$5,200)	
10	Recent increase in statutory fees cap was announced, resulting in proposed increase to legal point of discharge fees (not proposing full increase allowable but moving to cost-recovery basis)	\$20,000	
11	Increase subdivision supervision fees based on review of current construction costs in developments	\$60,000	
12	Net impact of implementation of the Domestic Animal Management Plan (refer April 2018 Council meeting)	\$32,172	(\$35,500)
13	Update positive ageing grants revenue based on latest advice	\$11,761	
14	Update home care packages based on latest advice	\$38,374	
15	Update kindergarten playground maintenance costs	(\$10,500)	
16	Update township maintenance and municipal inspection budgets	\$10,000	
17a	Arts Program funding option 1: \$ - (no change)		
17b	Arts Program funding option 2: (\$42,248) Recurrent		
17c	Arts Program funding option 3: (\$99,173) Recurrent		
Totals		\$16,803*	\$84,500

*Excludes any additional Arts Program funding

1.1 Submissions to the Draft Annual Budget 2018-19

Other updates to the draft budget:

The draft Annual Budget 2018-19 will also be updated to reflect Council resolutions made since the adoption of the draft budget, including:

- Updating the 2017-18 Forecast balances in the budget document to reflect changes approved in the Project Budget Adjustments and Cash Reserves Transfers table up to and including the table presented at the 22 May 2018 Ordinary Council Meeting.
- Adjust timing of Stribling Reserve Pavilion project in the Long Term Financial Plan from 2019-20 to 2020-21.
- Remove 2018-19 budget for Changing Places Facilities grants received in 2017-18 (timing change only)
- Bring forward 50% (\$2,044,000) revenue to 2017-18 (timing change only)

These changes will be incorporated into the budget to be presented to Council for adoption, and the corresponding movements in cash, reserve balances, depreciation, and project budgets will be taken into account.

The issues raised in the submissions will be considered in detail in a report to be presented to the 26 June 2018 Council meeting.

Recommendation

That the Hearing of Submissions Committee receive and note the submissions relating to draft Annual Budget 2018-19 and forward to Council for consideration.

Committee Resolution

MOVED Cr Clive Goldsworthy, Seconded Cr Margot Smith

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1.1 Submissions to the Draft Annual Budget 2018-19

APPENDIX 1 ORDER OF SPEAKERS - 5 JUNE 2018



Hearing of Submissions
Tuesday 5 June 2018
6pm
Council Chambers
1 Merrijig Drive, Torquay

ORDER OF SPEAKERS

Other Matters

1. Governance and Infrastructure

1.1 Draft Budget 2018-19 - Public Submissions Hearing

Session	Submitter Name
Session 1 6:00 – 7:00pm	1. Great Ocean Road Coast Committee – Ken Northwood
	2. Lorne Aquatic and Angling Club – Tony Pettie (submitted by David Worth)
	3. Stephen Roffey
	4. Juliet Beatty (with support of submission from Elizabeth Ryan)
	5. Anglesea Community Network – Peter Doyle (submitted by Liz Vine)
	6. Anglesea Recreation & Sports Club – Peter Doyle
	7. Torquay Football and Netball Club – Jennifer Wood
7:00 – 7:15pm	Break
Session 2 7:15pm – End	8. Anglesea Community House – Jim Tutt (submitted by Alex Leknius)
	9. Torquay Theatre Troupe – George Carman and Michael Baker
	10. Growing Winchelsea – Jenny Mathison and Michael Tucker
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	14. Committee for Lorne – Ian Stewart

Close: There being no further items of business the meeting closed at 7.35pm.