

MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Tuesday, 8 May 2012

Held at the
Council Conference and Reception Centre
City Hall, Little Malop Street, Geelong
commencing at 7.05pm

COUNCIL:

Cr. J. Mitchell (*Austin*)
- *Mayor*

(Communications / Sport and Recreation / Democracy & Governance / Central Geelong
Looking Forward)

Cr. B.H. Abley (*Brownbill*)

(Arts and Culture)

Cr. J. Doull (*Coryule*)

(Environment and Sustainability / Climate Change)

Cr. J. Farrell (*Beangala*)

(Education and Youth / Community Safety)

Cr. K. Fisher (*Corio*)

(Community Development)

Cr. C. Granger (*Windermere*)

(Heritage)

Cr. B. Harwood (*Kardinia*)

(Finance / Tourism / Major Events / Strategic Development)

Cr. E. Kontelj (*Cowie*)

(Aboriginal Affairs / Multicultural Affairs)

Cr. Dr. S. Kontelj (*Kildare*)

(Major Projects)

Cr. R. Macdonald (*Cheetham*)

(Economic Development / Planning)

Cr. R. Nelson (*Deakin*)

(Rural and Regional Affairs)

Cr. A. Richards (*Buckley*)

(Transport / Infrastructure / Parks and Gardens)

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**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING
OF THE GREATER GEELONG CITY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CONFERENCE AND RECEPTION CENTRE
CITY HALL, LITTLE MALOP STREET
TUESDAY, 8 MAY 2012
COMMENCING AT 7.05 P.M.**

PRESENT: Cr J Mitchell (Chair), Crs B Abley, J Doull, J Farrell, K Fisher,
C Granger, B Harwood, E Kontelj, S Kontelj*(7.08pm), R Macdonald,
R Nelson, A Richards

Also present: S Griffin (Chief Executive Officer), J Wall (General Manager Corporate Services),
P Bettess (General Manager Economic Development, Planning and Tourism),
D Frost (General Manager Projects, Recreation and Central Geelong), G Van Driel
(General Manager City Services), J McMahon (General Manager Community
Services), J Brown (Manager Administration and Governance), R Bourke
(Governance Co ordinator), J Merlo (Senior Media Officer)

OPENING: The Mayor declared the meeting open at 7.05pm

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

The Mayor acknowledged that we are here today on the land of the Wathaurong People and we pay our respects to Aboriginal elders past and present.

APOLOGIES: Nil.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Cr Abley moved, Cr Harwood seconded -

That Leave of Absence be granted to Cr Ron Nelson between 9 May and 18 May, inclusive and Cr Kylie Fisher between 29 May to 21 June, 2012, inclusive.

Carried.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Cr Harwood moved, Cr Granger seconded -

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 24 April 2012 be confirmed and signed.

Carried.

* Cr S Kontelj entered the meeting room at 7.08pm

DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:

The following Councillors declared Conflicts of Interest in Agenda Item 1 Budget Referrals. As specific items are considered Councillors will vacate the Meeting Room.

Cr Abley declared an indirect interest in that Social Housing Units adjacent to (Noble Street Uniting Church) and on a site owned and jointly operated by the Property Trust of the Uniting Church in Australia. Her husband is the Chairman of the Noble Street UCA, and Cr Abley a communicant member. The Noble Street Church owns one unit.

Cr Granger declared an Indirect Interest in that a close family member resides at St Laurence Park, Lara.

Cr Mitchell declared an Indirect Interest in that he received hospitality from Shell over the past five years.

Cr Doull declared an Indirect Interest in that he is a Board Member of the VLGA.

Cr Farrell declared a Direct Interest in that she works as a contractor for the VLGA.

Cr S Kontelj declared an Indirect Interest in that his employer provides sponsorship to the Geelong Football Umpires.

Cr Richards declared an Indirect Interest in that he is President of the Geelong Harness Racing Board.

Cr Farrell declared an Indirect Interest in that she is community representative on the G21 Geelong Regional Alliance Board.

Cr Richards declared an Indirect Interest in that he has a relationship with an alternate Director of Vision Super.

Cr Harwood declared an Indirect Interest in that he is the interim President of the Queens Park Pegasus Foundation, which has been established to support the Geelong Amateur Football and Netball Club.

Crs E and S Kontelj declared an Indirect Interest in Agenda Item 4, Boundary Realignment – North Geelong (Bay Section) to Rippleside, in that their sister owns a property in the area.

Cr Granger declared an Indirect Interest in Agenda Item 8, Consideration of Tender Submissions for Tender T12138 – Supply of Concrete and Concrete Services, in that VR & AR RotiRoti purchased a property from him in June 2011.

QUESTION TIME: Nil.

PETITIONS:

Cr Doull presented two petitions from residents of Portarlington in relation to the Special Charge Scheme for the proposed road construction within the Portarlington NE Group i.e.:

- 1) residents in total opposition of the proposal, and
- 2) residents not affected but in support of those residents affected by the proposed construction.

1. BUDGET REFERRALS 2012-2013

Portfolio: Finance - Cr Harwood
Democracy and Governance - Cr Mitchell
Source: Corporate Services - Administration and Governance
General Manager: Jeff Wall
Index Reference: Budget Fin Yr 2012-2013

Summary

- The proposed 2012-2013 Budget contains items in which Councillors have indicated they may have a conflict of interest.
- The Local Government Act 1989 exempts a Councillor from a conflict of interest in circumstances when Council has previously approved the matter in which the Councillor has an interest, including funding, and the Councillor has disclosed the conflict of interest at the time the matter was approved by Council.
- Any items proposed for inclusion in the Budget in which a Councillor has indicated a conflict of interest are proposed to be dealt with by separate resolution.
- Once all declarations have been made and the items which are the subject of any declaration are determined upon by Council, all Councillors are able to vote on Agenda Item 2, being the Proposed 2012-2013 Budget.

Cr Harwood moved, Cr Richards seconded -

That the Councillors who have a Conflict of Interest in items proposed for inclusion in the 2012-2013 Budget declare the nature of that interest under the following categories:

- **General**
- **2012-2013 Disbursements**
- **2012-2013 Non-Recurrent Expense Provision**
- **2012-2013 Capital Expenditure**

Carried.

General

Rating of Housing Provided for Social, Community or Charitable Purpose

Cr Abley declared an indirect interest in that Social Housing Units adjacent to (Noble Street Uniting Church) and on a site owned and jointly operated by the Property Trust of the Uniting Church in Australia. Her husband is the Chairman of the Noble Street UCA, and Cr Abley a communicant member. The Noble Street Church owns one unit.

Cr Granger declared an indirect interest in that a close family member resides at St Laurence Park, Lara.

Cr Abley and Cr Granger left the meeting room at 7.12pm

1. BUDGET REFERRALS 2012-2013 (CONT'D)

Cr Harwood moved Cr Richards seconded -

That the Housing Support and Transitional rebates as set out in Appendix 2-2, items 3.2 & 3.3 of the Budget document be approved for inclusion in the 2012-2013 Council Budget.

Carried.

Cr Abley and Cr Granger returned to the meeting room at 7.12pm

Differential Rate for Petroleum Production Land

Cr Mitchell declared an indirect interest in that he has received hospitality from the Shell over the past five years

Cr Mitchell left the meeting room at 7.12pm

Cr Granger assumed the Chair 7.12pm

Cr Harwood moved Cr Richards seconded -

That a differential rate for Petroleum Production Land of 1.0176 percent of Capital Improved Value be approved for inclusion in the 2012-2013 Council Budget.

Carried.

Cr Mitchell returned to the meeting room at 7.13pm and resumed the Chair.

Victorian Local Governance Association (VLGA) membership

Cr Doull declared an indirect interest in that he is a Board Member of the VLGA.

Cr Farrell declared a direct interest in that she works as a contractor for the VLGA

Cr Doull and Cr Farrell left the meeting room at 7.14pm

1. BUDGET REFERRALS 2012-2013 (CONT'D)

Cr Abley moved Cr Richards seconded -

That funding of VLGA Annual Membership be approved for inclusion in the 2012-2013 Council Budget.

Carried.

Cr Doull and Cr Farrell returned to the meeting room at 7.14pm

Disbursements 2012-2013

Geelong Football Umpires Clubrooms

Cr S Kontelj declared an indirect interest in that his employer provides sponsorship to the Geelong Football Umpires.

Cr S Kontelj left the meeting room at 7.14pm

Cr Harwood moved Cr Granger seconded -

That funding of D67117 Geelong Football Umpires rooms \$125,000 be approved for inclusion in the 2012-2013 Council Budget.

Carried.

Cr S Kontelj returned to the meeting room at 7.14pm

Geelong Harness Racing

Cr Richards declared an indirect interest in that he is President of the Geelong Harness Racing Board.

Cr Richards left the meeting room at 7.14pm

Cr Harwood moved Cr Granger seconded -

That funding of D11764 Geelong Harness Racing contribution of \$10,000 be approved for inclusion in the 2012-2013 Council Budget.

Carried.

1. BUDGET REFERRALS 2012-2013 (CONT'D)

2012-2013 Non-Recurrent Expense Provision

Unfunded Superannuation

Cr Richards declared an indirect interest in that he has a relationship with an alternate Director of Vision Super.

Cr Harwood moved Cr Granger seconded -

That provision of funding for defined benefit superannuation to Vision Super of \$3.3M be approved for inclusion in the 2012-2013 Council Budget.

Carried.

Cr Richards returned to the meeting room at 7.15pm

G21 Geelong Regional Alliance

Cr Farrell declared an indirect interest in that she is community representative on the G21 Geelong Regional Alliance Board.

Cr Farrell left the meeting room at 7.15pm

Cr Harwood moved Cr Granger seconded -

That funding of R20101 G21 Geelong Regional Alliance contribution of \$403,000 be approved for inclusion in the 2012-2013 Council Budget.

Carried.

Cr J Farrell returned to the meeting at 7.15pm

2012-2013 Capital Expenditure

Queens Park Netball Court Resurface and Miscellaneous Items

Cr Harwood declared an indirect interest in that he is the interim President of the Queens Park Pegasus Foundation, which has been established to support the Geelong Amateur Football and Netball Club.

Cr Harwood left the meeting room at 7.16pm

1. BUDGET REFERRALS 2012-2013

Cr Abley moved Cr Granger seconded -

That funding of C1384 Queens Park Netball Court Resurface and Miscellaneous Items \$60,000 be approved for inclusion in the 2012-2013 Council Budget.

Carried.

Cr Harwood returned to the meeting room at 7.16pm

Report

Background

In developing the 2012-2013 Budget an extensive range of activities and initiatives have been considered for funding. Councillors who may have a conflict of interest in any items to be considered are required to disclose the nature of any conflict of interest.

The Local Government Act 1989 requires a Councillor to declare any conflict of interest in relation to matters to be considered by Council and to leave the meeting for the duration of discussion and vote on that matter.

This report provides the opportunity for any disclosures of direct and indirect interest to be documented before consideration of the Budget. For items approved in previous budget and rolled over to 2012-2013, no further declaration is necessary.

Discussion

A number of Councillors have indicated conflicts of interest in items contained within the proposed budget and to facilitate disclosure the following are suggested as categories for disclosure:

- General - any item proposed for funding with the Budget but not specifically contained within a schedule to the Budget.
- Disbursements 2012-2013 – any items within the Disbursements schedule to the Budget.
- Non-Capital Projects Program 2012-2013 – any items within the Non-Capital Projects Program schedule to the Budget.

Environmental Implications

There are no environmental implications relative to this report.

Financial Implications

Financial implications are addressed in the 2012-2013 Proposed Budget.

Policy/Legal/Statutory Implications

This report has been prepared to address requirements of the Local Government Act 1989, specifically section 79C(2) which deal with conflicts of interests in the Budget adoption process.

1. BUDGET REFERRALS 2012-2013 (CONT'D)

Officer Direct or Indirect Interest

No officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest relative to the advice provided.

Risk Assessment

The declaration of any interests ensures transparency.

Social Considerations

Social considerations are addressed in the 2012-2013 Proposed Budget.

Communication

Council will advertise the Proposed Budget in local newspapers and take community response into account.

2. PROPOSED 2012-2013 BUDGET

Portfolio:	Finance – Cr Harwood
Source:	Corporate Services - Financial Services
General Manager:	Jeff Wall
Index Reference:	Financial Management/Reporting Financial Management/Budget 2012-2013

Summary

- The Proposed 2012-2013 Budget has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1989 and the Best Practice Guidelines that were developed by a Local Government industry taskforce.
- The Proposed Budget (Appendix 2-1) includes:
 - (a) The Standard Statements of Income, Cash Flow, Balance Sheet and Capital Program.
 - (b) The Key Strategic Activities to be undertaken during the financial year and performance targets and measures in relation to each Key Strategic Activity;
 - (c) The relationship between the activities and initiatives in contributing to achieving the strategic objectives specified in the City Plan, and
 - (d) Details of the activities and initiatives to be funded in the budget.
- As required under the Local Government Act a schedule declaring the differential rates and charges (Appendix 2-2) has been provided for public scrutiny and comment.
- The Rating Strategy for 2012-2013 contains the Council Policy, Procedure, rate assistance and information on the City's approach to the raising of property rates updated to reflect the outcome of Councils budget deliberations.

Cr Harwood moved, Cr Granger seconded -

That Council:

- 1) pursuant to Section 127 of the Local Government Act 1989, the Council:**
 - (a) Receive and consider the Proposed 2012-2013 Budget document, (Appendix 2-1), which includes the Standard Statements of Income, Cash Flow, Balance Sheet and Capital.**
 - (b) Receive and consider the Four Year Strategic Resource Plan (Appendix 2-1, Section 3) including Standard Statements of Income, Cash Flow, Balance Sheet and Capital (under Section 126 of Local Government Act).**
 - (c) Receive and consider the Rates, Municipal Charge, Waste Collection & Recycling charge and other income (required to meet the appropriate financial requirements as proposed in the 2012-2013 Budget package).**
 - (d) Receive and consider the proposed declaration of Rates and Charges (Appendix 2-2), for the purpose of:**
 - (i) public scrutiny and comment, and**
 - (ii) inclusion within the Rating Strategy 2012-2013 of the 2012-2014 Rates Assistance Waiver and rebates (under section 169 of the Local Government Act) as detailed therein.**

2. PROPOSED 2012-2013 BUDGET (CONT'D)

- 2) advertise the proposed budget and make it available for inspection at Customer Service Centres and the Council website. The advertisement be placed in the Geelong Advertiser on Wednesday, 9 May, 2012 inviting written submissions from the public by 5pm on Wednesday, 6 June 2012.**
- 3) appoint a Budget Submissions Panel to hear submissions made in relation to the Budget and Differential Rating, such Panel to:**
 - (a) consist of councillors each of whom shall have voting rights, with the quorum being three members;**
 - (b) meet on Tuesday, 12 June 2012 at 4.00pm to consider any written submissions and to hear any person who wishes to address the Panel in support of a submission; and**
 - (c) report to Council in relation to the submissions that have been received and any recommended amendments to the Proposed Budget.**
- 4) after considering the report of the Budget Submissions Panel, adopt the budget and declare the rates at a Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday, 26 June 2012.**
- 5) advertise the adoption of the budget and declaration of the rates following the Council meeting on 26 June 2012.**

Carried.

Report

Background

In accordance with Section 127 of the Local Government Act, the City is required to prepare a budget for each financial year and must ensure that it contains:

- (a) The standard statements in the form and containing the matters required by the regulations;
- (b) A description of the activities and initiatives to be funded in the budget;
- (c) A statement as to how the activities and initiatives described under paragraph (b) will contribute to achieving the strategic objectives specified in the Council Plan;
- (d) Separately identified Key Strategic Activities to be undertaken during the financial year and performance targets and measures in relation to each Key Strategic Activity;
- (e) Any other details required by the regulations.

In addition, the City must ensure the budget considers the following:

- (a) The information the Council is required to declare under section 158(1);
- (b) If the Council intends to declare a differential rate under section 161, the details listed in section 161(2), and
- (c) If the Council intends to declare a differential rate under section 161A, the details listed in section 161(2).

2. PROPOSED 2012-2013 BUDGET (CONT'D)

Discussion

The Proposed 2012-2013 Budget for the financial year commencing 1 July 2012, as reviewed during recent Councillor Budget sessions, has been completed.

The Proposed 2012-2013 Budget document (Appendix 1) has been prepared on the basis of the Best Practice Guidelines as developed by a Local Government industry taskforce and issued to all municipalities across Victoria. The Proposed Budget document has been developed under the following sections:

Overview,

Budget Analysis,

Budget Strategies and

Appendices including Activities and Initiatives linked with City Plan.

In accordance with the Local Government Act, the Proposed 2012-2013 Budget also includes clear linkages to Council's Proposed "City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 update", and its supporting Key Strategies and Actions.

Specific inclusions in the Proposed Budget are a summary by arena:

The activities and initiatives to be funded in the Budget.

How the activities and initiatives will contribute to achieving the strategic objectives, and,

The performance targets and measures in relation to each key strategic activity.

In addition, a component of the Proposed Budget is the setting of Rates and Charges. The Declaration of Rates and Charges for 2012-2013 is attached (Appendix 2). The formal Rating Strategy document will be updated that reflects Council's statements of policy, procedure, general information and historical trends.

Council has declared a special rate in respect of the central business district of Geelong applicable to non-residential, non-exempt properties. The special rate is the Central Activities Area (CAA) Rate and is in addition to other rates and charges. The purpose of the special rate is to promote the CAA as a commercial shopping precinct using events, marketing and media.

Mayor and Councillor Allowances

The Local Government Act 1989 regulates the allowance payable to the Mayor and Councillors of Local Governments in Victoria.

By notice in the Government Gazette published on 29 September 2011 the Minister for Local Government implemented an annual adjustment of allowances payable to Mayors and Councillors effective from 1 December 2011. For the City of Greater Geelong the Mayoral Allowance is \$91,179 and Councillors \$28,544. While included in the 2012-2013 Budget, the annual adjustment is not a review by Council of allowances and consequently is not subject to submission processes otherwise required under sections 74 or 223 of the Local Government Act.

2. PROPOSED 2012-2013 BUDGET (CONT'D)

Rating Strategy 2012-2013

The Rating Strategy document will be updated to reflect the outcome of Council's Budget deliberations.

City Plan

Rates and Charges are the major source of Council revenue accounting for 60% of the total Council revenue annually. An increase in rate income is required to meet the objectives of Council aspirations and community expectations for new infrastructure. City Plan advocates sustainable rate increases over the next four years, required to fund new initiatives and maintain existing service levels.

Current Year Rate Increases

Changes proposed for 2012-2013 are:

1. Rates and charges for an average residential property (including Municipal Charge and Waste Service Charge) will increase by 5.09%.
2. The Waste Collection Service charge is calculated based on a fee for service, including direct, indirect and overhead costs. The charge is impacted by the introduction of a carbon tax increase in the EPA levy and on waste going to landfill, and the continuation of hard waste education service. The charge for 2012-2013 will increase from \$213.20 to \$226.00 or 6.0% (1.1% of the increase is attributable to Drysdale Landfill Carbon Tax costs).
3. The municipal charge represents a fee on all rateable assessments as a contribution to the fixed and unavoidable costs of governance. The charge for 2012-2013 will increase from \$82.30 to \$86.33.
4. The Farm rebate will be set at 36.2%. This rebate provides ongoing rate relief to farmers (33% rebate 2006-2007, 40% rebate 2007-2008, 45% for 2008-2010 and 46.5% for 2010-2012). In 2012-2013 a 36.2% rebate represents \$835K.
5. The State Government pensioner concession will increase from \$193.40 based on CPI movement.

These increases are required in order to fund increases to recurrent expenditure, and the continuing capital works program.

Residential Rates and Charges

The total increase in rates and charges for a property with the average capital improved value of \$363,800 is \$60.05 or 5.09%. This increase is made up of \$43.22 for General Rates, \$4.03 for Municipal Charge and \$12.80 for the Waste Collection service, inclusive of Carbon Tax liability for the Drysdale Landfill site.

Residential Properties	2011-2012 Rates on Av CIV \$	2012-2013 Rates on Av CIV \$
General Rates CIV x Rate in \$	882.29	925.51
Municipal Charge	82.30	86.33
Waste Collection Service	213.20	226.00
Total Rates and Charges	1,177.79	1,237.84

2. PROPOSED 2012-2013 BUDGET (CONT'D)

Rate Waiver

It is proposed to continue the rate relief provisions to allow for the continuation of a one-off waiver for residential and farm properties where the valuation has exceeded reasonable expectations and is purely the result of market factors, not the result of improvements to property by the owner. The waiver is designed to mitigate the rates shock of a valuation increase and is only claimable once in a two year valuation period.

Council also provides a range of assistance measures to suit individual needs including pension rebates, farm rebates, rates deferral, and payment options such as regular Direct Debit, and Centrepay.

Rate Structure

Previously Council has set 11 rating or tariff groups with the application of differential rates to each of these groups in accordance with Section 161 of the Act.

In 2011-2012 Council decided to introduce three new differentials for the unique environmentally sensitive urban development land at "The Point" on Point Lonsdale. This has created additional rating groups for Residential, Vacant and Commercial land within the geographic location of "The Point" subdivision. These rates will be set at the same level as the similar land use for 2012-2013, however in future years will contribute to the costs of managing the environmentally sensitive land.

Environmental Implications

The Proposed Budget identifies the sources and allocation of the resources to implement the many environmental initiatives that impact on the community as outlined with Council's 2009-2013 City Plan.

Financial Implications

The budget has been prepared in accordance with the direction provided by Council. Changes in rates, fees and charges have been structured to meet the financial requirements as proposed for the 2012-2013 financial year.

Expenditure includes the continuation of Council services to the community.

The Budget includes a recurrent operating surplus of \$0.2M.

The gross capital expenditure of \$91.2M includes new funding of \$8.2M on Infrastructure leisure, \$22.6M on roads, footpaths, kerb & channel and drains and \$23.9M on buildings.

New loans of \$7.8M are proposed for 2012-2013 together with Deferred Loans from 2011-2012. The projected total amount of borrowings as at 30 June 2013 is \$53.7M.

Policy/Legal/Statutory Implications

The timetable is compliant with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1989, which deals with the preparation and adoption of budgets.

The timetable also recognises the need to align the Annual Budget to the direction and allocation of resources identified within the proposed City Plan.

Officer Direct or Indirect Interest

No Council officers involved in the preparation of this report have a direct or indirect interest in any matter to which this report relates.

2. PROPOSED 2012-2013 BUDGET (CONT'D)

Risk Assessment

Although not required to adopt the Annual Budget until August there are adverse implications if the process is delayed. These include:

- A lack of internal control to monitor the financial position of the City into the new financial year.
- Delays in commencing (and therefore completion) of projects identified within the Annual Budget.
- Delaying the issuing of the first rate instalment notices (due in early September) and possible breach of the Local Government Act.

Social Considerations

The Proposed Budget identifies the sources and allocation of resources to implement the many social initiatives that impact on the community as outlined with Council's 2009 – 2013 City Plan.

Communication

A Public Notice is scheduled to be published in the Geelong Advertiser on Wednesday, 9 May 2012 and the Geelong Independent on Friday 11 May 2012, advising that the Proposed 2012-2013 Budget will be available for public scrutiny and inviting written submissions to be made.

Following the closing date for the written submissions, it is proposed to convene a Budget Submissions Panel on Tuesday, 12 June 2012 at 4.00pm to review any submissions that have been received and put forward to Council a report on any recommended amendments to the Proposed Budget.

Council is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, 26 June 2012 at which time the report from the Budget Submissions Panel will be considered.

Public Notice of the adopted budget and declaration of rates and charges will be advertised following the Council Meeting.

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DECLARATION OF RATES & CHARGES

1. Amount Intended to be raised by General Rates, Municipal Charge, and Annual Service Charge for the period 1 July 2012 - 30 June 2013.

An amount of \$158,923,414 be declared as the amount which Council intends to raise by General Rates, Municipal Charge and the Annual Service Charge, which amount is calculated as follows:

General Rates \$127,702,125
Municipal Charge \$9,335,759; and
Annual Service Charge \$21,885,530.

2. General Rates

2.1 A general rate be declared for the period 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013.

2.2 It be further declared that the general rate be raised by the application of differential rates.

2.3 A differential rate be respectively declared for rateable land having the respective characteristics specified below, which characteristics will form the criteria for each differential rate so declared.

2.3.1. Farm Land

Any land which is not less than 2 hectares in area and

- (a) is used predominantly for a sustainable business of grazing (including agistment), dairying, pig-farming, poultry farming, fish farming, tree farming, bee-keeping, viticulture, horticulture, fruit growing or the growing of crops of any kind or for any combination of those activities or;
- (b) satisfies the criteria for municipal purpose benefit for large holdings.

2.3.2 Residential Land

Any land which -

- (a) does not have the characteristics of Vacant Land; and
- (b) is used exclusively for residential purposes.

2.3.3 Vacant Land

Any land -

- (a) which does not have the characteristics of
 - (i) Farm Land; or
 - (ii) Residential Land; and
- (b) on which no building is erected save for any uninhabitable shed or shelter that does not exceed more than 5% of the total area of the land.

2.3.4 Petroleum Production Land

Any land which -

- (a) does not have the characteristics of Industrial Land; and
- (b) is used primarily for the production of petroleum or petroleum byproducts; and
- (c) is identified as such in Schedule A to this document.

2.3.5 Industrial Land

Any land which -

- (a) does not have the characteristics of
 - (i) Farm Land; or
 - (ii) Vacant Land; or
 - (iii) Commercial Land; or
 - (iv) Petroleum Production Land; or
 - (v) Aluminium Production Land; or
 - (vi) Automobile Manufacture Land; and

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- (b) is used predominantly for industrial purposes which includes manufacturing, repairing, servicing, processing and reprocessing.

2.3.6 Commercial Land

Any land which -

- (a) does not have the characteristics of
 - (i) Farm Land; or
 - (ii) Vacant Land; or
 - (iii) Industrial Land; or
 - (iv) Petroleum Production Land; or
 - (iv) Aluminium Production Land, or
 - (v) Automobile Manufacture Land; and
- (b) is used predominantly
 - (i) for the sale of goods or services; or
 - (ii) other commercial purposes.

2.3.7 Late Licensed Premises Land

"Late Licensed Premises Land" means any land that –

- (a) has the characteristics of Commercial Land; and
- (b) has a licence under the Liquor Control Reform Act 1998 to supply liquor for consumption at those premises past 1.00am on at least one night of the week.

2.3.8 Aluminium Production Land

Any land which -

- (a) does not have the characteristics of Industrial Land; and
- (b) is used primarily for the manufacture or production of aluminium or aluminium products; and
- (c) is described as such in Schedule A to this document.

2.3.9 Automobile Manufacture Land

Any land which -

- (a) does not have the characteristics of Industrial Land; and
- (b) is used primarily for the manufacture of automobiles or automobile products; and
- (c) is described as such in Schedule A to this resolution.

2.3.10 Mixed Use Land

Any land which -

- (a) has the characteristics of Residential Land combined with the characteristics of Commercial Land or Industrial Land; and
- (b) is not used exclusively for either Residential and/or Commercial and/or Industrial purposes.

2.3.11 The Point – Residential Land

- (a) Is used exclusively for residential purposes and
- (b) Does not have the characteristics of Vacant Land.
- (c) Geographic Location:

All the land described (or formerly described) in Certificate of Title Volume 09901 Folio 324 and also described in Lot B PS 214468.

Specific Objectives:

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of council, including the:

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- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure.
- (b) development and provision of health and community services.
- (c) provision of general support services.
- (d) management of environmentally sensitive land.

Also specifically in respect of the Point land (as defined in this differential rate scheme) to maintain and to accommodate a range of development and uses around an existing waterway and a constructed lake and canal system.

2.3.12 The Point – Vacant Land

Any land that does not have the characteristics of:

- (a) Farm Land, or
- (b) Residential Land; and on which no building is erected save for any small uninhabitable storage shed or shelter occupying no more than 5% of the total land area,
- (c) Geographic Location:
All the land described (or formerly described) in Certificate of Title Volume 09901 Folio 324 and also described in Lot B PS 214468.

Specific Objectives:

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of council, including the:

- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure.
- (b) development and provision of health and community services.
- (c) provision of general support services.
- (d) management of environmentally sensitive land.

Also specifically in respect of the Point land (as defined in this differential rate scheme) to maintain and to accommodate a range of development and uses around an existing waterway and a constructed lake and canal system.

2.3.13 The Point – Commercial Land

Any land that:

- (a) Does not have the characteristics of:
 - i) Farm Land; or
 - ii) Vacant Land; or
 - iii) Industrial Land; or
- (b) Is used predominantly for the sale of goods or services; or other commercial purposes.
- (c) Geographic Location

All the land described (or formerly described) in Certificate of Title Volume 09901 Folio 324 and also described in Lot B PS 214468.

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Specific Objectives:

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of council, including the:

- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure.
- (b) development and provision of health and community services.
- (c) provision of general support services.
- (d) management of environmentally sensitive land.

Also specifically in respect of the Point land (as defined in this differential rate scheme) to maintain and to accommodate a range of development and uses around an existing waterway and a constructed lake and canal system.

- 2.4 A rate pursuant to the Cultural and Recreational Lands Act 1963 be declared for rateable land having the respective characteristics specified below.

2.4.1 Cultural and Recreational Land -

Any land which -

- (a) has the characteristics of Recreational land as defined by the Cultural and Recreational Lands Act 1963; and
- (b) is described in Schedule A to this document.

- 2.5 Each differential rate and Cultural and Recreation Lands Rate will be determined by multiplying the Capital Improved Value of each rateable land (categorised by the characteristics described in paragraph 2.3 and 2.4 of this document) by the relevant percentages indicated in the following table:

CATEGORY %

Farm Land .002544 (or .2544 percent of Capital Improved Value).

A rebate of 36.2% of the CIV by rate in dollar in accordance with Council policy for farm rating.

Residential Land .002544 (or .2544 percent of Capital Improved Value)

Vacant Land .003401 (or .3401 percent of Capital Improved Value)

The Point Residential Land .002544 (or .2544 percent of Capital Improved Value)

The Point Vacant Land .003401 (or .3401 percent of Capital Improved Value)

The Point Commercial Land .005082 (or .5082 percent of Capital Improved Value)

Petroleum Production Land .010176 (or 1.0176 percent of Capital Improved Value)

Industrial Land .006735 (or .6735 percent of Capital Improved Value)

Commercial Land .005082 (or .5082 percent of Capital Improved Value)

Late Licensed Premises Land .009976 (or 0.9976 percent of Capital Improved Value)

Aluminium - Manufacture Land .010176 (or 1.0176 percent of Capital Improved Value)

Automobile - Production Land .009325 (or 0.9325 percent of Capital Improved Value)

Mixed Use Land .003781 (or .3781 percent of Capital Improved Value)

Cultural and Recreational .001606 (or .1606 percent of Capital Improved Value).

- 2.6 It be recorded that Council considers that each differential rate will contribute to the equitable and efficient carrying out of Council functions; and that

2.6.1 the respective objectives of each differential rate be those specified in Schedule B to this document;

2.6.2 the respective types or classes of land which are subject to each differential rate be those defined in Schedule B to this document;

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2.6.3 the respective uses and levels of each differential rate in relation to those respective types or classes of land be those described in Schedule B to this document; and

2.6.4 the relevant
(a) uses of; and
(b) geographical locations of; and
(c) planning scheme zonings of; and
(d) types of buildings on the respective types or classes of land be those identified in Schedule B to this document; and

2.7 It be confirmed that no amount is fixed as the minimum amount payable by way of general rate in respect of each rateable land within the municipal district.

3. Rebates

3.1 Farm Rebate

For 2012-2013 Council declare a rebate under section 169 of The Local Government Act of 36.2% for all land classified and rated as farm land. Properties defined as farms will be entitled to a rebate recognising that there is a benefit to the community in encouraging the retention of large lot primary producing holdings. An application can be made to Council to have land classified as Farm land.

3.2 Housing Support Rebate

For 2012-2013 Council declare a rebate under section 169 of the Local Government Act of 100% of general rates and municipal charge for the following types of properties. Transitional, Emergency, Crisis Housing, Housing for Legatees or War Widows provided by the Geelong Legacy Club or provided by RSL, and supported Housing for disabled people. This rebate recognises that these properties provide a benefit to the community by meeting specific needs within the community. Application can be made to Council to have land classified as eligible for the rebate.

3.3 Transitional Rebate

For 2012-2013 Council declare a rebate under section 169 of the Local Government Act of 50% of general rates and municipal charge for the following listed properties. This rebate benefits the community by allowing a smooth transition in the rateable status of these properties.

Properties subject to Transitional Rebate for 2012-2013:

Owners	Location
Housing Associations	
Winteringham Housing Association / Alexander Miller Homes	7 Culbin Avenue, Belmont
	4-10 Malvern Grove, Manifold Heights
	22A Park Street, Geelong
	73 McKillop Street, Geelong
Housing Choices Australia (previously known as Melbourne Affordable Housing Association)	22 Saffron Street, Newtown
	25-29 Noble St, Newtown
	4-6 Wendover Avenue, Norlane
Retirement Villages	
St Laurence Community Services Inc.	30-38 Isabella St, Geelong West
	1-5 McKenzie Street, Belmont
	215-221 Yarra Street, Geelong
	8-14 Mundy Street, Geelong
	13-25 Carr Street, Geelong
Uniting Care	90 Station Lake Road, Lara
	87 Francis Street, Belmont
	7 Spring Street, Belmont
Multicultural Aged Care Services Geelong Inc.	48 Settlement Road, Belmont
	16 De Stefano Drive, North Geelong
Other Non Rated Properties to be Rateable	
St Peter Court / Melbourne Anglican Trust Corporation	110 West Fyans Street, Newtown
Noble St Uniting Church	31A Noble Street, Newtown

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4. Municipal Charge

- 4.1 An annual municipal charge be declared for the period commencing 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013.
- 4.2 The purpose of the municipal charge is to recover some of the administrative costs of the Council.
- 4.3 The charge be the sum of \$86.33 for each rateable property in the municipality.
- 4.4 Applications for exemption for farm land in accordance with section 159 of the Local Government Act 1989, is to be made within two months from the date of issue of annual rate notice.

5. Annual Service Charge

- 5.1 An Annual Service Charge be declared for the period commencing 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013.
- 5.2 The Annual Service Charge be declared for the collection and disposal of refuse.
- 5.3 The Annual Service Charge be \$226.00 for each rateable land and non-rateable land (or part) in respect of which the Annual Service Charge may be levied.
- 5.4 The criteria specified below, be the criteria, which form the basis of the Annual Service Charge, so declared:

Geographic existence within those areas of the municipal district in which Council provides a domestic refuse collection and disposal service. The charge will be raised irrespective of whether the service is used or not.

6. Central Activities Area Rate

Council has declared a special rate in respect of the central business district of Geelong applicable to non-residential, non-exempt properties. The special rate is the Central Activities Area (CAA) Rate and is in addition to other rates and charges. The purpose of the special rate is to promote the CAA as a commercial shopping precinct using events, marketing and media.

For 2012-2013 the rate will raise \$671,000 (\$602,000 in 2010-2011). The rate in dollar for 2012-2013 is set at \$0.0005300 and \$0.000168 for Cultural & Recreation (Cultural and Recreation properties are charged a reduced CAA rate, in accordance with the ratio of the recreation rate to the commercial rate).

7. Incentives

No incentives be declared as the incentives to be given by Council for the payment of General Rates, Municipal Charge and the Annual Service Charge (described earlier in this document) before the dates fixed for their payment under Section 167 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

8. Consequential

- 8.1 Notwithstanding anything said in any earlier Resolution of Council, the Geelong Advertiser and the Geelong Independent be chosen, as the newspapers in which the public notice will appear.

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8.2 The Responsible Officer of Council be authorised to levy and recover the General Rates, Municipal Charge and the Annual Service Charge described earlier in accordance with the Local Government Act 1989.

9. Interest

Interest on unpaid rates and charges will be charged in accordance with Section 172 of the Local Government Act 1989. Interest will be charged at the penalty interest rate. In proven cases of hardship where Council allows rates to be deferred, interest will be charged at 6.85% for 2012-2013.

SCHEDULE A

1. Petroleum Production Land

All that land generally bounded more or less by Princes Highway, Shell Parade, Corio Bay Foreshore, Wharf Road, Station Road and neighbouring land.

2. Aluminium Production Land

All that land generally bounded more or less by Point Henry Road, Corio Bay Foreshore and Stoddart Lane.

3. Automobile Manufacture Land

- (a) All that land generally bounded more or less by Cowies Creek, Melbourne Road, North Shore Road and Geelong – Melbourne Railway, excluding the land known as 60-80 North Shore Road being the Ford Research and Development Facility.
- (b) All that land generally bounded more or less by Sea Beach Parade, St Georges Road, Geelong-Melbourne Railway and neighbouring southern land.

4. The Point Residential Land

All the residential land described (or formerly described) in Certificate of Title Volume 09901 Folio 324 and also described in Lot B LP 214468.

5. The Point Vacant Land

All the vacant land described (or formerly described) in Certificate of Title Volume 09901 Folio 324 and also described in Lot B LP 214468.

6. The Point Commercial Land

All the commercial land described (or formerly described) in Certificate of Title Volume 09901 Folio 324 and also described in Lot B LP 214468.

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7. Cultural and Recreational Land

Any land reserved under the Cultural and Recreational Lands Act 1963 including the following:

Ratepayer Name	Property Address
Bareena Bowling Club Incorporated	89 Noble Street, Newtown VIC 3220
Drumcondra Bowling Club	9 Glenleith Court, Geelong VIC 3220
Geelong Race Course Trustees	99 Breakwater Road, Breakwater VIC 3219
Geelong Agricultural & Pastoral Society	79 Breakwater Road, Breakwater VIC 3219
Royal Geelong Yacht Club	25 Eastern Beach Road, Geelong VIC 3220
Eastern Park Bowling Club Inc	51-55 Garden Street, East Geelong VIC 3219
Geelong Football Club Incorporated	360-380 Moorabool Street, South Geelong VIC 3220
East Geelong Golf Club	Eastern Park Circuit, East Geelong VIC 3219
Highton Bowling Club Inc	204 Roslyn Road, Highton VIC 3216
Barwon Heads Golf Club Incorporated	Golf Links Road, Barwon Heads VIC 3227
Belmont Bowling Club Incorporated	16-36 Reynolds Road, Belmont VIC 3216
Geelong Lawn Tennis Club Incorporated	12-20 Sommers Street, Belmont VIC 3216
Geelong Bowls Club Incorporated	4-10 Sommers Street, Belmont VIC 3216
Beckley Park Committee of Management Inc	40 Broderick Road, Corio VIC 3214
Bell Park Sport & Rec Club Inc	68 Calvert Street, Hamlyn Heights VIC 3215
St Leonards Golf Club Inc	79-175 Harvey Road, St Leonards VIC 3223
Clifton Springs Golf Club Incorporated	86-88 Clear Water Drive, Clifton Springs VIC 3222
Clifton Springs Bowling Club	Clifton Street, Clifton Springs VIC 3222
Drysdale Bowling & Croquet Club inc	19-29 Collins Street, Drysdale VIC 3222
Lonsdale Golf Club	31-69 Fellows Road, Point Lonsdale VIC 3225
Portarlington Bowls Club Incorporated	Harding Street, Portarlington VIC 3223
Portarlington Golf Club	92-160 Hood Road, Portarlington VIC 3223
Leopold Sportsmans Club Inc	131-139 Kensington Road, Leopold VIC 3224
Ocean Grove Bowling Club	16-24 The Terrace, Ocean Grove VIC 3226
St Leonards Bowling Club	1274 Murradoc Road, St Leonards VIC 3223
Curlewis Golf Club Incorporated	1201-1419 Portarlington Road, Curlewis VIC 3222
Australian Croatian Sporting Centre	15 Gibbons Road, Lara VIC 3212
Bell Park Sports Club Inc	515 Ballarat Road, Batesford VIC 3221
Geelong West Bowling Club Incorporated	12 Bowlers Avenue, Geelong West VIC 3218
Barwon Rowing Club Inc	2 Barwon Terrace, South Geelong VIC 3220
Geelong Grammar School Rowing Club	6 Barwon Terrace, South Geelong VIC 3220
Geelong Rowing Association	8 Barwon Terrace, South Geelong VIC 3220
Corio Bay Rowing Club	10 Barwon Terrace, South Geelong VIC 3220
East Geelong Uniting Church Tennis Club Inc	39 Denman Street, East Geelong VIC 3219
East Geelong Recreation Reserve Committee	137-139 McKillop Street, Geelong VIC 3220
Portarlington Sailing Club	219 Point Richards Road, Portarlington VIC 3223
Indented Head Boat Club	The Esplanade, Indented Head VIC 3223
Indented Head Yacht Club	The Esplanade, Indented Head VIC 3223
St Leonards Yacht Club & Motor Squadron	Lower Bluff Road, St Leonards VIC 3223
Geelong Watersports Club Incorporated	493-499 Wilsons Road, St Albans Park VIC 3219
Geelong College Rowing Club	4 Barwon Terrace, South Geelong VIC 3220
Geelong Pistol Club	70-80 Williams Road, Mount Duneed VIC 3216
Geelong Table Tennis Association	84-88 Church Street, North Geelong VIC 3215
Western Beach Boat Club Incorporated	74-90 Western Foreshore Road, Geelong VIC 3220
Lagoon Boat Club Inc	Foreshore Road, Corio VIC 3214
Lara Sporting Club Incorporated	4 Walkers Road, Lara VIC 3212
Western District Car Club	55 Beach Road, Avalon VIC 3212
Corio Bay Sailing Club	Foreshore Road, Corio VIC 3214
North Shore Sports & Community Club Inc	39 Rose Avenue, Norlane VIC 3214
Herne Hill Bowls Club Inc	180 McCurdy Road, Fyansford VIC 3221
Norlane Bowling Club Incorporated	26-36 St Georges Road, Corio VIC 3214
Lara Bowling Club Inc	120 Station Lake Road, Lara VIC 3212
Barwon Heads Bowling Club	18 Geelong Road East, Barwon Heads VIC 3227
Geelong & Dist Angling Club & Fish Protect Soc.	9 Yuille Street, Geelong West VIC 3218
Seabrae Boat Owners Club Inc	302 Clifton Avenue, Leopold VIC 3224

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Properties granted Cultural & Recreational Rate status include any other not-for-profit clubs or associations having similar characteristics and objectives to Cultural & Recreational land as defined which is extended to include indoor sporting, recreational and cultural activities. To be considered, each property should have limited venue hire, restricted liquor licensing provisions and have little impact on neighbouring amenity.

Ratepayer Name	Property Address
Geelong Bridge Club	148-152 Portarlington Road, Newcomb Vic 3219
Austrian Club Geelong Incorporated	258 Plantation Road, Lovely Banks Vic 3221
Serbian Parish Youth Club	256 Plantation Road, Lovely Banks, Vic 3221
Polish Community Association in Geelong	35 Ryrie Street, Geelong Vic 3220

SCHEDULE B

1. Farm Land

Objective

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable and efficient financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of Council, generally including the -

- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure;
- (b) development and provision of health and community services;
- (c) provision of general support services.

Types and Classes

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described previously in 2.3.

Use and Level of Differential Rate

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

The level of the differential rate less the applicable rebate is the level, which Council considers it necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Geographic Location

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land

Any use permitted under the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to 30 June 2013.

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2. Residential Land

Objective

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable and efficient financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of Council, generally including the -

- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure;
- (b) development and provision of health and community services;
- (c) provision of general support services.

Types and Classes

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described previously in 2.3.

Use and Level of Differential Rate

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Geographic Location

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land

Any use permitted under the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to 30 June 2013.

3. Vacant Land

Objective

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable and efficient financial contribution to cost of

carrying out the functions of Council, generally including the -

- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure;
- (b) development and provision of health and community services;
- (c) provision of general support services.

Types and Classes

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described previously in 2.3.

Use and Level of Differential Rate

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

Geographic Location

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land

Any use permitted under the Geelong Regional Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Geelong Regional Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings

No building must be located on the land or constructed prior to 30 June 2013 save for any uninhabitable shed or shelter that does not exceed more than 5% of the total area of the land.

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4. Petroleum Production Land

Objective

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable and efficient financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of Council, generally including the –

- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure;
- (b) development and provision of health and community services;
- (c) provision of general support services.

Types and Classes

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described previously 2.3.

Use and Level of Differential Rate

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

Geographic Location

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land

Any use permitted under the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to 30 June 2013.

5. Industrial Land

Objective

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable and efficient financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of Council, generally including the -

- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure;
- (b) development and provision of health and community services;
- (c) provision of general support services.

Types and Classes

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described previously in 2.3.

Use and Level of Differential Rate

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

Geographic Location

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land

Any use permitted under the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to 30 June 2013.

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6. Commercial Land

Objective

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable and efficient financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of Council, generally including the -

- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure;
- (b) development and provision of health and community services;
- (c) provision of general support services.

Types and Classes

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described previously in 2.3.

Use and Level of Differential Rate

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

Geographic Location

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land

Any use permitted under the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to 30 June 2013.

7. Late Licensed Premises Land

Objective

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable and efficient financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of council, generally including—

- (a) offset the costs (direct and indirect) referable to the late night trading of Late Licensed Premises Land, which includes but not limited to, the cost of:
 - (i) street sweeping; and
 - (ii) vandalism; and
 - (iii) litter collection; and
 - (iv) safe taxi rank; and
- (b) provide equitable and appropriate services and facilities for the community and to ensure that those services and facilities are managed efficiently and effectively; and
- (c) promote the interest of the community and to be responsive to the needs of the community.

Types and Classes

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described previously in 2.3.

Use and Level of Differential Rate

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

Geographic Location

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land

Any use permitted under the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme zoning

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to 30 June 2013.

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8. Aluminium Production Land

Objective

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable and efficient financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of Council, generally including the –

- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure;
- (b) development and provision of health and community services;
- (c) provision of general support services.

Types and Classes

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described previously in 2.3.

Use and Level of Differential Rate

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

Geographic Location

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land

Any use permitted under the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to 30 June 2013.

9. Automobile Manufacture Land

Objective

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable and efficient financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of Council, generally including the -

- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure;
- (b) development and provision of health and community services;
- (c) provision of general support services.

Types and Classes

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described previously in 2.3.

Use and Level of Differential Rate

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

Geographic Location

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land

Any use permitted under the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to 30 June 2013.

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10. Mixed Use Land

Objective

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable and efficient financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of Council, generally including the -

- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure;
- (b) development and provision of health & community services;
- (c) provision of general support services.

Types and Classes

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described previously in 2.3.

Use and Level of Differential Rate

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

Geographic Location

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land

Any use permitted under the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to 30 June 2013.

11. The Point – Residential Land

Objective

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable and efficient financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of council, generally including the –:

- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure.
- (b) development and provision of health and community services.
- (c) provision of general support services.
- (d) management of environmentally sensitive land.

Also specifically in respect of the Point land (as defined in this differential rate scheme) to maintain and to accommodate a range of development and uses around an existing waterway and a constructed lake and canal system.

Types and Classes

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described previously in 2.3.

Use and Level of Differential Rate

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

Geographic Location

All the land described (or formerly described) in Certificate of Title Volume 09901 Folio 324 and also described in Lot B LP 214468.

Use of Land

Any use permitted under the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to 30 June 2013.

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12. The Point – Vacant Land

Objective

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable and efficient financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of council, generally including the:

- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure.
- (b) development and provision of health and community services.
- (c) provision of general support services.
- (d) management of environmentally sensitive land.

Also specifically in respect of the Point land (as defined in this differential rate scheme) to maintain and to accommodate a range of development and uses around an existing waterway and a constructed lake and canal system.

Types and Classes

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described previously in 2.3.

Use and Level of Differential Rate

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

Geographic Location

All the land described (or formerly described) in Certificate of Title Volume 09901 Folio 324 and also described in Lot B LP 214468.

Use of Land

Any use permitted under the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to 30 June 2013.

13. The Point – Commercial Land

Objective

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable and efficient financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of council, generally including the:

- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure.
- (b) development and provision of health and community services.
- (c) provision of general support services.
- (d) management of environmentally sensitive land.

Also specifically in respect of the Point land (as defined in this differential rate scheme) to maintain and to accommodate a range of development and uses around an existing waterway and a constructed lake and canal system.

Types and Classes

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described previously in 2.3.

Use and Level of Differential Rate

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

Geographic Location

All the land described (or formerly described) in Certificate of Title Volume 09901 Folio 324 and also described in Lot B LP 214468.

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Use of Land

Any use permitted under the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to 30 June 2013.

14. Cultural and Recreational Land

Objective

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the –

- (a) construction and maintenance of public infrastructure;
- (b) development and provision of health and community services;
- (c) provision of general support services.

Types and Classes

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described previously in 2.4.

Use and Level of Differential Rate

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

Geographic Location

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land

Any use permitted under the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to 30 June 2013.

3. DRAFT CITY PLAN 2009-2013 (2012-2013 UPDATE)

Portfolio:	Democracy and Governance - Cr Mitchell Finance – Cr Harwood
Source:	Corporate Services - Corporate Strategy
A/General Manager:	Jeff Wall
Index Reference:	Corporate Management/Corporate Plan

Summary

- The Local Government Act requires that a Council must prepare, approve and submit to the Minister for Local Government a Council Plan (i.e. “City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update”):
 - a) By 30 June 2012, and
 - b) Within the period of 6 months after each general election year or by the next 30th June, whichever is the latter.
- Section 125 of the Local Government Act also prescribes that a Council Plan must include:
 - a) The strategic objectives of the Council,
 - b) Strategies for achieving the objectives for the Council term,
 - c) Strategic indicators for monitoring the achievement of these objectives,
 - d) A Strategic Resource Plan, and
 - e) Any other matter prescribed by the regulations.
- The annual update of the Council’s four year Council Plan titled ‘City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update’ has been undertaken. It is intended that a complete version will be available at Customer Service Centres and on the Council’s web site shortly after 30 June 2012.
- A draft of ‘City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update’, has also been produced to be launched at the Annual Community Leaders City Plan/Budget breakfast. This draft links the Annual Budget to the four-year strategic direction of the City.

Cr Granger moved, Cr Harwood seconded -

That Council:

- 1) receives and considers the proposed City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update as per Appendix 3-1.**
- 2) in conjunction with the proposed 2012-2013 Budget, Council advertises the proposed City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update and invites written submissions.**
- 3) after considering the report of the Submissions Panel adopts the City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update at the Council Meeting scheduled to be held on Tuesday, 26 June 2012.**

Carried.

3. DRAFT CITY PLAN 2009-2013 (2012-2013 UPDATE) (CONT'D)

Report

Background

The Local Government Act requires that a Council must prepare, approve and submit to the Minister a Council Plan (i.e. "City Plan"):

1. By 30 June 2012, and
2. Within the period of 6 months after each general election year or by the next 30th June, whichever is the latter.

Section 125 of the Local Government Act also prescribes that a Council Plan must include:

- The strategic objectives of the Council,
- Strategies for achieving the objectives for at least the next four years,
- Strategic indicators for monitoring the achievement of these objectives,
- A Strategic Resource Plan, and
- Any other matter prescribed by the regulations.

In subsequent years, councils are required to, at least once in each financial year, consider whether the current Council Plan requires any adjustment in respect of the remaining period of the Council Plan.

An annual update to the document has been undertaken, incorporating the proposed Annual Action Plan and adopted Annual Budget and Strategic Resource Plan.

The framework for the City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update incorporates the planning framework based on the three strategic directions (Community Wellbeing, Growing the Economy and Sustainable Built and Natural Environment), supporting internal objectives and the Council's Vision, Mission, Values and Behaviours section.

The Council's performance and results in achieving the strategic indicators of the City Plan are required to be reported in the Council's Annual Report for 2012-2013.

Discussion

City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update has been developed to reflect Council's current priorities and the supporting resource allocation.

In undertaking this review all the actions have been developed collaboratively across the organisation and support the long-term social, environmental and economic benefits for the community articulated through the Vision, Mission and Objectives established by the Council.

City Plan identifies the outcomes, strategies and strategic indicators that are currently planned over the said four-year period, as well as detailed actions associated with implementing year four of this current City Plan.

3. DRAFT CITY PLAN 2009-2013 (2012-2013 UPDATE) (CONT'D)

City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update has been developed around a framework of the three strategic directions as follows:

1. **Community Wellbeing** – *To improve the health and quality of life of all residents of Greater Geelong.*

Over four years we will work with the community in aiming to deliver the following priority outcomes:

- *Improved healthy eating and physical activity*
- *Increased lifelong learning and literacy*
- *Liveable neighbourhoods*

2. **Growing the Economy** – *Securing Geelong's Economic Future.*

Over four years we will work with the community in aiming to deliver the following priority outcomes:

- *Plan and develop the National Transport and Logistics Precinct.*
- *Development of the Cosmopolitan Heart.*
- *Managed Growth*

3. **Sustainable Built and Natural Environment** – *The City of Greater Geelong leads the community in sustainable planning and environmental action.*

Over four years we will work with the community in aiming to deliver the following priority outcomes:

- *Increase the use of public and active transport across the municipality.*
- *Reduce our organisation's environmental footprint*
- *Develop and implement sustainability standards for all built form.*
- *Prepare and implement a strategy for adapting to climate change.*
- *Enhance our natural areas and increase the level of protection for precious habitats and areas of biodiversity.*

We will support this framework through an open and accountable governance model focusing on the following:

- *Customer Focused Organisation;*
- *Responsible Financial Management*
- *Safe Work Environment*
- *Motivated and Skilled Staff*
- *Informed and Engaged Community*
- *Efficient Service Delivery*
- *Effective Internal Support Services*

It is planned to have the full version of City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update available on the Council's web site shortly after 30 June 2012.

As part of the legislative requirement, City Plan includes the Strategic Resource Plan (updated taking into account the 2012-2013 Annual Budget as a base year), which contains the financial and non-financial (human resources) information for the next four years.

'City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Updated' document is scheduled to be presented at the Community Leaders City Plan Budget Breakfast on 9 May 2012 as the "Draft City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update" document.

3. DRAFT CITY PLAN 2009-2013 (2012-2013 UPDATE) (CONT'D)

Environmental Implications

City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update outlines the objectives and strategies to deliver the environmental benefits to the community. Details of these can be found within the Sustainable Built and Natural Environment Strategic Direction.

Financial Implications

City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update includes Council's four-year financial strategy and plan with the 2012-2013 Annual Budget representing the first year in implementing the updated plan.

Policy/Legal/Statutory Implications

The Local Government Act requires that a Council must prepare, approve and submit to the Minister for Local Government a Council Plan (i.e. "City Plan"):

1. By 30 June 2012, and
2. Within the period of 6 months after each general election year or by the next 30th June, whichever is the latter.

Section 125 of the Local Government Act also prescribes that a Council Plan must include:

- The strategic objectives of the Council,
- Strategies for achieving the objectives for at least the next four years,
- Strategic indicators for monitoring the achievement of these objectives,
- A Strategic Resource Plan, and
- Any other matter prescribed by the regulations.

The Act also prescribes that any amendments to City Plan must be advised to the Minister within 30 days.

The draft City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update complies with the Local Government Act, 1989.

Officer Direct or Indirect Interest

There is no direct or indirect officer interest to which this report relates.

Risk Assessment

Failing to submit City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update to the Minister by 30 June 2012 would result in non-compliance.

Social Considerations

City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update outlines the objectives and strategies to deliver the social benefits to the community.

3. DRAFT CITY PLAN 2009-2013 (2012-2013 UPDATE) (CONT'D)

Communication

Public access to City Plan 2009-2013, 2011-2013 Update will be through the City of Greater Geelong Customer Service Centres and Council's Internet site (www.geelongaustralia.com.au).

As the Local Government Act provides for public submissions it is proposed to invite public submission to the draft City Plan 2009-2013, 2012-2013 Update in conjunction with the 2012-2013 Annual Budget for the prescribed 28 day period, with a view to adoption at the Council Meeting scheduled to be held on Tuesday 26 June 2012.

- * *Crs E and S Kontelj declared an Indirect Interest in that their sister owns a property in the area and left the meeting room at 7.30pm.*

4. BOUNDARY REALIGNMENT - NORTH GEELONG (BAY SECTION) TO RIPPLESIDE

Portfolio: Democracy & Governance - Cr Mitchell
Source: Corporate Services - Financial Services
General Manager: Jeff Wall
Index Reference: Subject/Roads, Footpaths & Streets

Summary

- A submission was received from a resident within North Geelong requesting boundary realignment for properties between Victoria Street and Swinburne Street (bordered by Melbourne Road) to become part of Rippleside.
- The ratepayer submission highlighted confusion with the area being known as North Geelong, Rippleside and St Helens.
- Realignment would affect eleven streets (see Appendix A).
- The State Government naming authority, the Office of Geographic Names supports commencing a process of investigation and consultation to realign the locality boundary as proposed by some residents.
- Investigation of the proposal would involve Council writing letters to all affected property owners / residents advising the proposed boundary realignment and seeking submissions.
- An advertisement will be placed in City News calling for submissions regarding the proposed changes.
- A final report will be submitted to Council with recommendations to formalise any proposed changes.

Cr Harwood moved, Cr Granger seconded -

That Council supports:

- 1) the commencement of a process of investigation and consultation to realign the locality boundaries of North Geelong between Victoria Street and Swinburne Street (bordered by Melbourne Road) to become part of Rippleside.**
- 2) a further report will be presented to Council with recommendations for adoption, following completion of the consultation process.**

Carried.

Report

Background

Municipal councils are responsible for allocating geographic locality boundaries. On 1 August 2011, Council received a letter from a resident within North Geelong requesting that Council realign the boundary of North Geelong.

The original submission received from a property owner within this area requested Council rename this area with a new suburb name of St Helens. Council advised that this name would be a duplication and therefore was unable to be used. It was then proposed to include eleven streets currently known as North Geelong under the Rippleside locality.

4. BOUNDARY REALIGNMENT - NORTH GEELONG (BAY SECTION) TO RIPPLESIDE (CONT'D)

This resident conducted their own private survey (see Attachment A) in September 2011 with affected property owners and submitted these responses to Council.

The following table shows the affected streets and the returned submissions in favour of the proposed realignment. It should be noted that not all ratepayers were included in the survey.

	In Favour	No Response	Total Properties
Victoria Street	0	24	24
Melbourne Road	0	39	39
Cliff Street	0	5	5
St David Street	15	21	36
Lothian Street	3	2	5
Vautier Street	13	26	39
St Helens Place	5	3	8
Holden Avenue	5	14	19
Bay Street	13	21	34
Helen Street	2	7	9
Swinburne Street	8	13	21
Total	64	175	239

The following table shows the number of ratepayers by differential type that will be affected by this realignment:

	Total
Commercial	14
Mixed Use	2
General	212
Vacant Land	6
Non Rateable	5
Total	239

Council contacted the Office of Geographic Names to seek input in regards to this proposal. The following response was received from the Audit Officer on 20 December 2011.

"Extension of the Rippleside boundary to Swinburne Street, from a public safety perspective, meets the requirements of Principle 1(C) Ensuring public safety, under the Guidelines for Geographic Names 2010.

The current boundary has the potential for confusion as geographically the subject area, may be confused as to being part of Rippleside and not North Geelong. For example, the Princes Highway separates the subject area from North Geelong on the west, in addition, should the boundary extend to Swinburne Street this provides a clear delineation between an industrial area and residential area.

The Office of Geographic Names believes that the letter from the Neighbours Group has merit and raises some geographical issues in addition to matters concerning which locality the residents associate themselves in terms of identity and history.

4. BOUNDARY REALIGNMENT - NORTH GEELONG (BAY SECTION) TO RIPPLESIDE (CONT'D)

For the reasons above, the Office of Geographic Names requests that Council consult with both the immediate and extended communities following the processes of the Guidelines, to obtain the communities feedback as to support for the proposed amendment.

I understand that Council, as you explained, only pursue locality boundary amendments if public safety is an issue and in this regard, we recommend that Council pursue this locality boundary application.

With reference to the feature named "Geelong West Oval" in North Geelong, as the name is not ideal in terms of locality, Council may want to review this also from a public safety perspective."

Discussion

Council's intent on boundary alignment changes is, as always, to ensure public safety is maintained.

Council is not aware of any emergency concerns the subject area is where both the old North Geelong Primary School and the local Senior Citizen Club exist within this area. The area in question has many of the original dwellings that the North Geelong Ford plant employees lived and still live to this day.

The area in question has a number of unique historic characteristics and other features relevant to this issue:

- The area represents the original North Geelong area, until development moved west of the railway line in the 1950s and 1960s.
- Property development in the area has not occurred at a faster pace than other built up sections of the municipality or relative to other parts of North Geelong.
- Osborne House is also located on Swinburne Street. The old Shire of Corio offices utilised Osborne House in North Geelong, along with the North Geelong Football and Netball Club, which still exists.
- A number of commercial enterprises operate in the locality, particularly facing Melbourne Road. These businesses have not requested a locality change and have not been consulted by the residents as part of the private survey.

The group requesting the change originally wished to have their own unique identification in St Helens, deriving the name from the local beach.

The existing suburb of Ripplside is a small predominantly residential suburb consisting of 175 Residential, 12 Commercial, 2 Industrial, and 5 Vacant Land. North Geelong is a much larger suburb being 1,848 total properties with 1,178 Residential properties.

Real Estate Agents regularly refer to properties within the affected area as Ripplside to pursue a higher sale price.

It is important to note that the Guidelines for Geographic Names 2010 do not apply retrospectively where established built up communities exist. Any proposal to change relies on the principal of public safety. Council must ensure that the long-term benefits to the community can be shown to outweigh any private interest or short term effects.

4. BOUNDARY REALIGNMENT - NORTH GEELONG (BAY SECTION) TO RIPPLESIDE (CONT'D)

There are no separate plans by Council to propose a change of name for the Geelong West Oval (West Oval) which is within the North Geelong suburb, nor the associated names of the clubs incorporating Geelong West utilising this facility.

This proposal is to commence a process of investigation and consultation to realign the locality boundary of North Geelong between Victoria Street and Swinburne Street to Melbourne Road (see Appendix A). This consultation will include immediate and extended communities, following the processes of the guidelines, to obtain the communities feedback as to the support for the proposed amendment.

The proposed new alignment complies with Principal 3(A) of the Department of Sustainability and Environment Guidelines for Geographic Names 2010.

Environmental Implications

There are no environmental issues arising from this report.

Financial Implications

Council is responsible for the cost of notifying all affected property owners and the advertisement in the City News section of the Geelong Independent Newspaper and Geelong Advertiser. Financial Services will manage this project from within existing budget allocations.

Policy/Legal/Statutory Implications

The Geographic Place Names Act 1998, the Guidelines for Geographic Names 2010 and Council Policy have been followed and met.

Officer Direct or Indirect Interest

There is no officer direct or indirect interest in this report.

Risk Assessment

The realignment of this boundary will allow for easy identification to the public and utility services in case of an emergency and is in the interests of public safety.

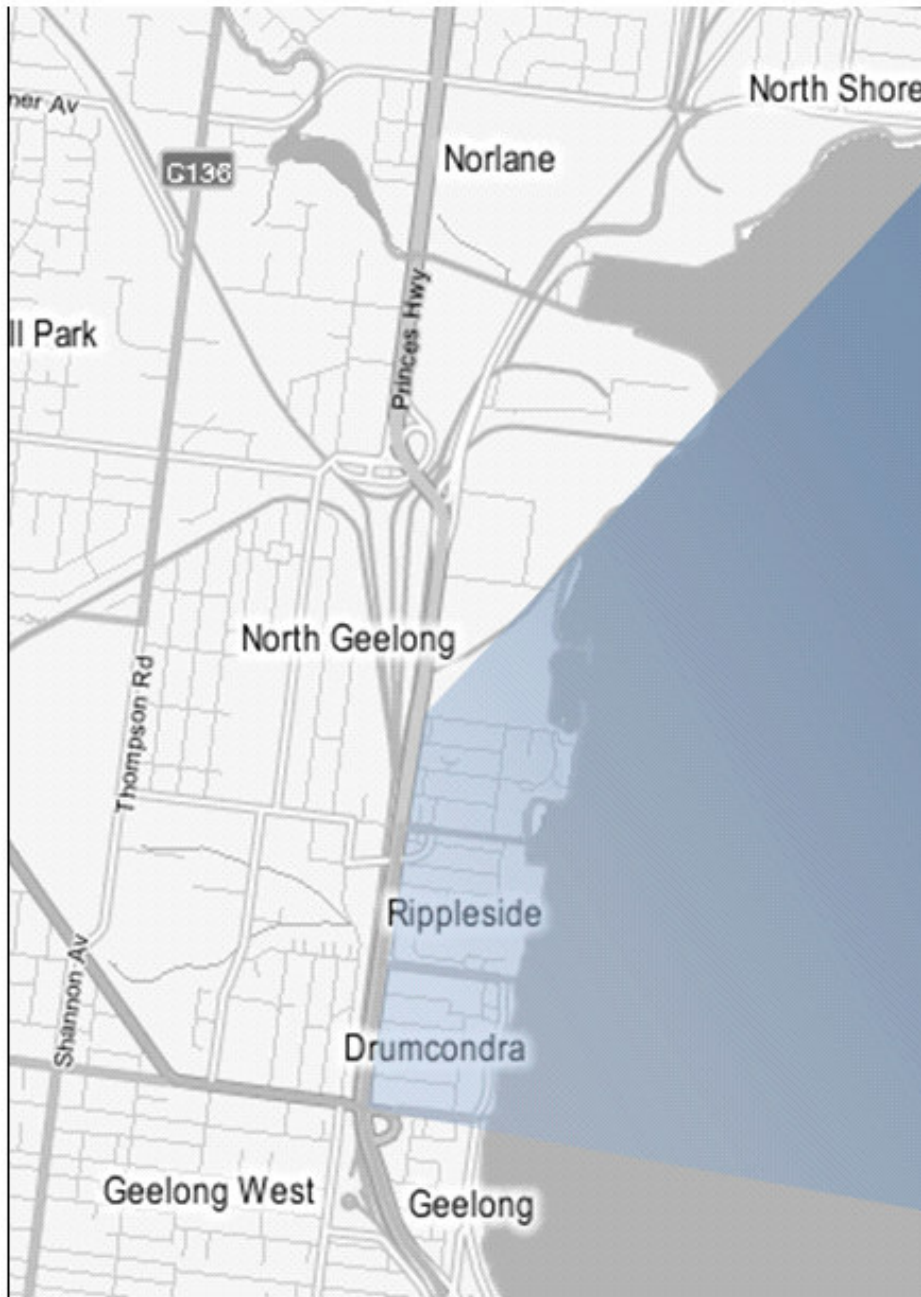
Social Considerations

The realignment of this boundary will minimise the confusion to residents and visitors to the area.

Communication

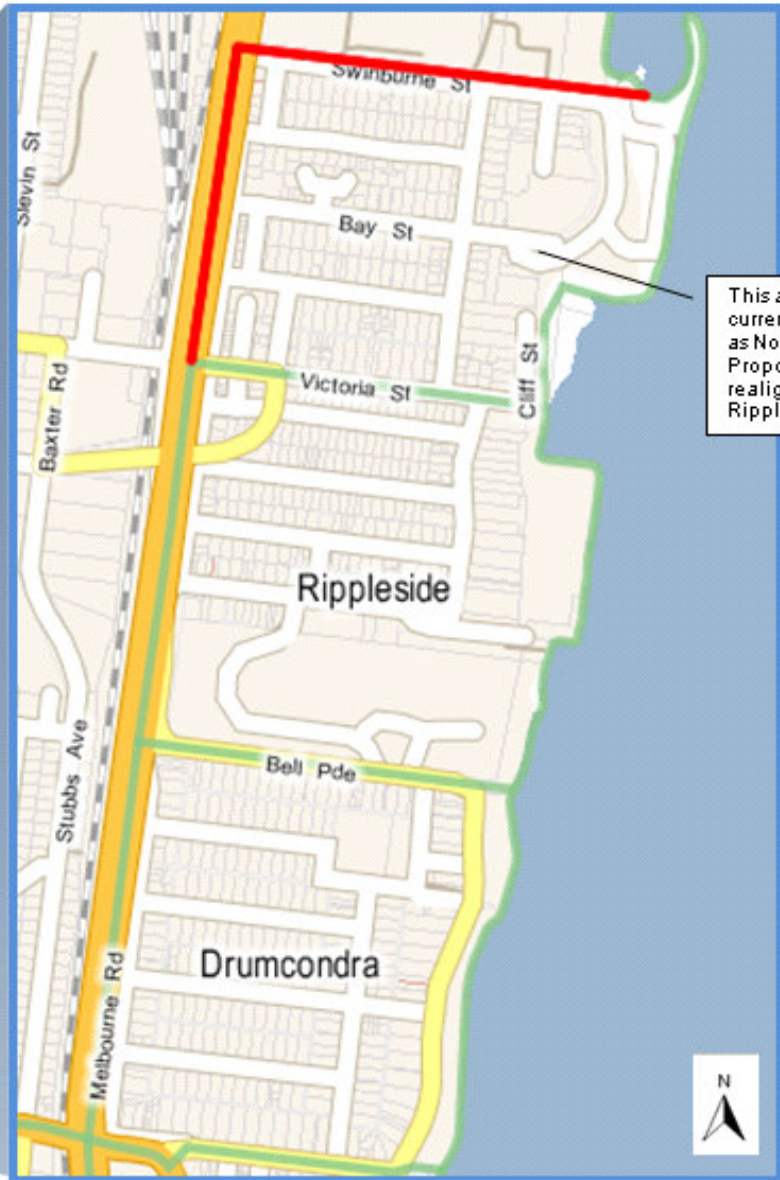
Notification letters will be sent to all affected property owners and occupiers; advertisements will appear in local newspapers and notification will be placed on Council's website.

Property owners and residents will be invited to make submissions concerning the proposed change.



LEGEND

- Current Boundary (green line)
- Proposed Boundary (red line)



This area currently known as North Geelong. Proposed to be realigned to Rippleside.



Neighbours Group

Dear Resident

We would like to introduce to you our "community *neighbours group*" which has been formed in our local area covering the residential boundaries of the following streets, **Holden Ave, St David, Lothian, Bay, Vautier, Swinburne and Helen Streets.**

This neighbours group has come together to represent resident interests and concerns in which we have currently two main agendas, being "noise and name change from Nth Geelong to Rippleside".

We have attached information for your review and consideration in helping us gather support from our local residents. Any support you can offer will assist us in achieving a positive outcome in addressing these areas of interest in our local community; we welcome and encourage your feedback and participation.

- **Proposed Name Change**

In discussion with several local residents in our areathere has been a suggestion for us to consider a rename for the location of the seven residential streets located after Victoria St and between the football oval being, **Holden Ave, St David, Lothian, Bay, Vautier, Swinburne and Helen Streets** from "Nth Geelong" to **Rippleside**(unfortunately we are unable to consider St Helens as there is one already in Victoria and NSW).

We would really appreciate your time to review our proposal and we wanted to ensure that you were given the opportunity to participate in what we see as a positive change.

We have provided a list of suggested reasons to progress the proposed rename of our location.

- Local surrounding ovals, parks and facilities such as the St Helens Boat Ramp, St Helens Beach, St Helens Park, Osborne House, the Geelong Naval and Maritime Museum and Vietnam Veterans Association located at Osborne House, Post Office (Rippleside or Nth Geelong?) cricket and football facilities' have multiple names inconsistent with the location of these six streets and Nth Geelong. Identifying our residential area can be very confusing. Even Real Estate Agents are consistently selling homes in our area as Rippleside or St Helens and avoid using Nth Geelong as it's seen as being located on the other side of the highway. We experienced this first hand when we purchased our home and we have seen multiple homes in our area for sale as Rippleside or St Helens. The location has established itself as a highly sort after location offering a beautiful place to live in.
- We have only seven residential street prior to the football oval being, (Cliff and Victoria Streets are part of Rippleside), Holden Ave, St David, Lothian, Bay, Vautier, Swinburne and Helen Streets.
- This area is often referred to by the Wider Community as the Pocket, St Helens or Rippleside and has been advertised in this way.
- This change would assist Emergency Services such as Police, Fire and Ambulance to quickly identify assistance to our Residents if the location was seen as Rippleside. These services would not have to consider which side of the highway we are located in for Nth Geelong as Rippleside is an established location on only one side of the highway.
- This small pocket of streets is divided from North Geelong by substantial infrastructure such as the Highway and major regional rail road's and we feel that this is where the most appropriate and logical boundary should end.



Neighbours Group

- There is confusion when people/our visitors are given directions they often end up in the wrong side of the highway/railroads making it difficult to find, several of us have experienced issues also with Taxi's and Couriers/deliveries whilst finding us, they have commented on the Suburb name being inconsistent with its location as Nth Geelong is on the other side of the Train Station. Some Mel way's have Rippleside over our streets also.
- The current culture in Geelong is to have the Bay Front suburbs being small pockets with their own name Eastern Beach, Drumcondra, Rippleside and this fits in with the naming standard being consistently used with our council. Unfortunately St Helens as a name change cannot be considered as this has been used in Vic and NSW.
- A new name would encourage awareness and a clear identity within our area.
- This positive rename would be in tune with Future projects that are ear marked for the area. This Pocket is the basis for the "Osborne House Marine Precinct Master Plan" which is currently on hold however it is still part of the vision of the Geelong Council and as such it we think it's appropriate to be renamed with the consideration given to the revitalisation that is to eventually occur in our surrounding area.
- The local residents in this area take pride in maintaining a beautiful place as do the Council and we would like to see this place recognised and have a clear home in which we feel as residents is reasonable and in light with the direction and theme in which the Council has successfully promoted in the adjoining locations (Pockets) such as Rippleside and Drumcondra.

We understand we have given you a lot to consider, we welcome your opinions and support in reviewing the rename from Nth Geelong to Rippleside.

If you would like to support this change we would appreciate you leaving this signed, dated form out by your front door for collection on.....Thank you.

It is important that those supporting this change please leave their address to ensure that Geelong Council can validate residential support for this proposal. We are currently setting up an email address to provide communication and updates to residents; if you wish to also provide your email address as to us we will be happy to communicate to you this way.

Resident Address:

Name, please print:

Signed:

Dated:

Email address (optional):

5. BOUNDARY REALIGNMENT - DRYSDALE, CLIFTON SPRINGS & CURLEWIS

Portfolio: Democracy & Governance - Cr Mitchell
Source: Corporate Services - Financial Services
General Manager: Jeff Wall
Index Reference: Subject/Roads, Footpaths & Streets

Summary

- The Registrar of Geographic Names has written requesting that Council proceed with a boundary realignment between Drysdale and Clifton Springs, west of the Geelong–Portarlington Road, in the interests of public safety.
- Principal 3(A) of the Guidelines for Geographic Names 2010 stipulates that locality boundary should align with the cadastral fabric, road centre lines or easily distinguishable topographical features. In accordance with Section 3.2.1 of the guidelines, the Registrar may request Council to amend a locality boundary in the interests of public safety. Council must respond within 30 days and action the request within one council meeting of the initial response.
- Council acknowledges that the historical boundary between Clifton Springs and Drysdale, west of the Portarlington Road, now passes through numerous properties in Wintersun Court and Narawi Avenue. This issue has been listed as pending review with an intention to include a review of Curlewis, Clifton Springs and Drysdale boundaries, including Jetty Road and the areas south of the Geelong–Portarlington Road, west of Grubb Road.
- The Drysdale locality is experiencing significant growth and it is important that any changes to locality boundary best represent this growth.
- It is appropriate to commence a process of investigation and consultation to realign the locality boundaries between Clifton Springs, Drysdale and Curlewis based on the identification of four priority zones (See Appendix A).
- Appendices B, C and D map current alignments versus proposed alignments.
- Letters will be sent to all affected property owners / residents advising the proposed boundary realignment and seek submissions.
- An advertisement will be placed in the City News calling for submissions regarding the proposed changes.
- A final report will be submitted to Council with recommendations to formalise the proposed changes.

Cr Harwood moved, Cr Granger seconded -

That Council notes:

- 1) the commencement of a process of investigation and consultation to realign the locality boundaries between Drysdale, Clifton Springs and Curlewis.**
- 2) a further report will be presented to Council with recommendations for adoption, following completion of the consultation process.**

Carried.

5. BOUNDARY REALIGNMENT - DRYSDALE, CLIFTON SPRINGS & CURLEWIS (CONT'D)

Report

Background

Councils are responsible for allocating geographic locality boundaries. On 16 February 2012, Council received advice from the Registrar of Geographic Names requesting that Council proceed with a boundary realignment between Drysdale and Clifton Springs, west of the Geelong–Portarlington Road, in the interests of public safety.

The locality boundary between Clifton Springs and Drysdale, west of the Geelong–Portarlington Road, passes through numerous properties in Wintersun Court and Narawi Avenue which is creating particular confusion for emergency and communication services (Appendix B).

Ambulance Victoria has emphasised the need for correct locality to avoid confusion in an emergency response situation. In this case, the locality boundary does not comply with Principal 3(A) – A locality boundary should align with the cadastral fabric, road centre lines or easily distinguishable topographical features.

The Registrar has been advised that any changes to locality boundaries should take into account significant urban growth within the localities and a realignment of boundaries should include a review of Curlewis, Clifton Springs and Drysdale boundaries. It is appropriate to commence this process of investigation and consultation to realign the locality boundaries between Curlewis, Clifton Springs and Drysdale.

Discussion

It is appropriate to commence a process of investigation and consultation to realign the locality boundaries between Clifton Springs, Drysdale and Curlewis based on the identification of four priority zones (See Appendix A).

These zones will be affected as follows:

Zone 1 – the current eastern boundary of Clifton Springs alignment to be extended along Whitcombes Road to intersect with the Geelong–Portarlington Road intersection then continue north easterly along this roadway (Appendix B).

It is considered that this zone has the highest priority for realignment, given instruction received from the Registrar of Geographic Names.

Zone 2 – to extend part of the southern boundary of Clifton Springs, to run south along Jetty Road, east on Wyndham Street, north on Barrands Lane, east on Nash Avenue then north along Clifton Springs Road (Appendix C).

Realigning this boundary is considered necessary in order to comply with Principal 3(A) of the Guidelines for Geographic Names 2010 which stipulates that locality boundary should align with the cadastral fabric, road centre lines or easily distinguishable topographical features. At present, a section of the boundary cuts through several parcels, another section passes through the back of titles and in future may potentially pass through the centre of a proposed retirement village.

5. BOUNDARY REALIGNMENT - DRYSDALE, CLIFTON SPRINGS & CURLEWIS (CONT'D)

Zone 3 – the eastern boundary of Curlewis to be moved eastward to run south along Jetty Road to intersect with the Geelong-Portarlington Road (Appendix D).

The current boundary cuts through several property titles. Additionally, a residential development is occurring west of Jetty Road. Moving the locality boundary to align with the Jetty Road centre line will best represent this growth and comply with the Guidelines for Geographic Names 2010.

Zone 4 – the eastern boundary of Curlewis to be moved eastward to run south along Grubb Road to intersect with the current Wallington alignment (Appendix D).

Once again, the current boundary cuts through several property titles. Therefore, moving the locality boundary to align with Grubb Road will comply with the Guidelines for Geographic Names 2010 by aligning the boundary to a road and allow for future growth that may occur.

The following table shows the number of ratepayers by differential type that will be affected by the realignments:

	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4	Total
Commercial	0	1	0	0	1
Farm	1	0	1	3	5
Mixed Use	0	1	0	0	1
General	140	296	44	7	487
Vacant Land	32	17	133	0	182
Total	173	315	178	10	676

The proposed new alignments comply with Principal 3(A) of the Department of Sustainability and Environment Guidelines for Geographic Names 2010.

Council is required to advertise these proposed realignments and notify all property owners within the areas of the proposed new alignments. Any submissions received will be addressed in the appropriate manner.

Environmental Implications

There are no environmental issues arising from this report.

Financial Implications

Council is responsible for the cost of notifying all affected property owners and the advertisement in the City News section of the Geelong Independent Newspaper and Geelong Advertiser. Financial services will manage this project from within existing budget allocations.

Policy/Legal/Statutory Implications

The Geographic Place Names Act 1998, the Guidelines for Geographic Names 2010 and Council Policy have been followed and met.

Officer Direct or Indirect Interest

There is no officer direct or indirect interest in this report.

5. BOUNDARY REALIGNMENT - DRYSDALE, CLIFTON SPRINGS & CURLEWIS (CONT'D)

Risk Assessment

The realignment of these boundaries will allow for easy identification to the public and utility services in case of an emergency.

Council has an obligation to act in regard to Zone 1 proposed changes in the best interests of public safety. The other zone changes are proposed in the best long term interests of the community to avoid risk of further confusion as urban growth occurs.

Social Considerations

The realignment of these boundaries will minimise the confusion to residents and visitors to the area.

Communication

Notification letters will be sent to all affected property owners; advertisements will appear in local newspapers and notification will be placed on Council's website.

Property owners and residents will be invited to make submissions concerning the proposed changes.

Legend

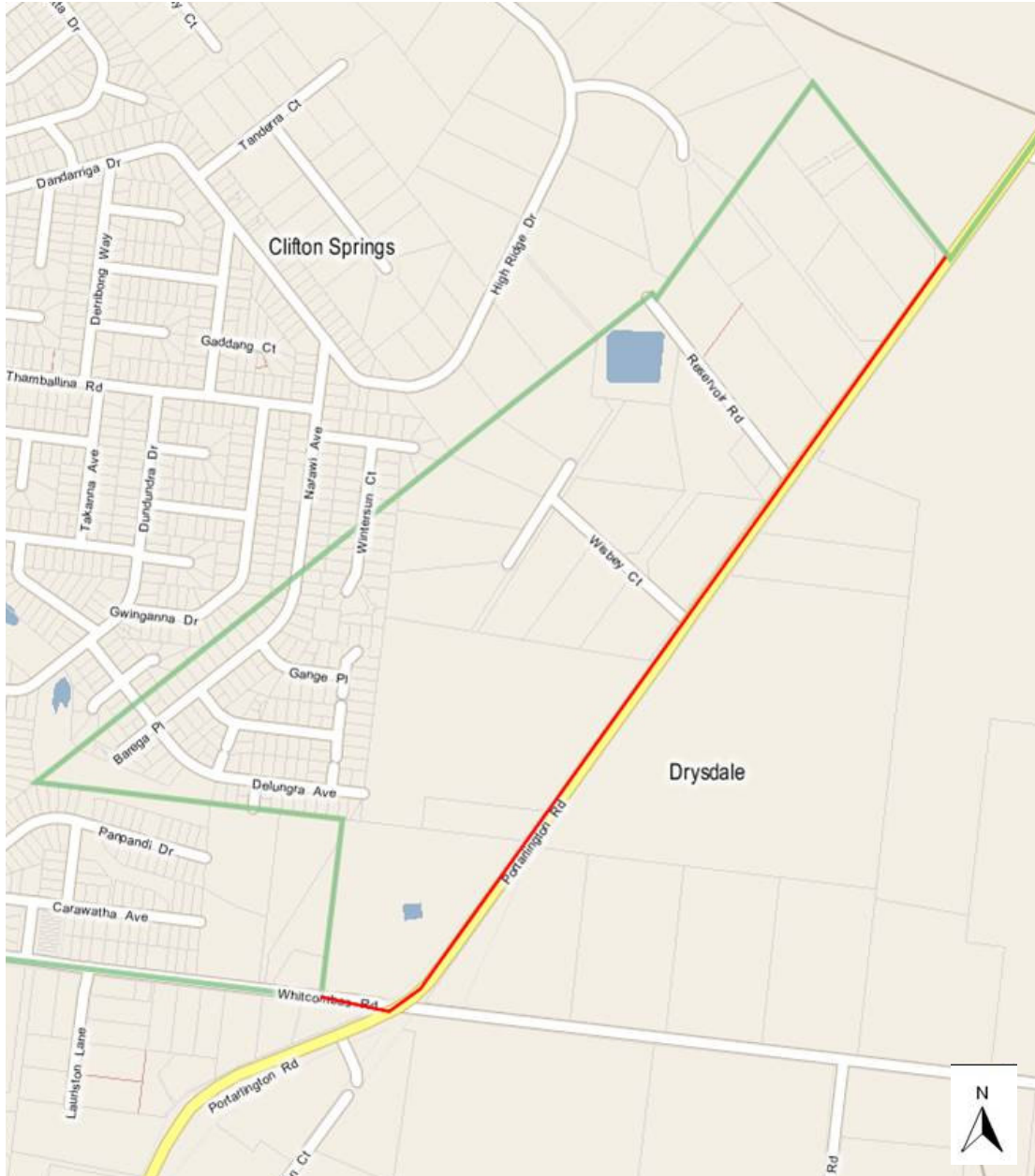
- Current Boundary Alignment
- Proposed Boundary Alignment



Appendix B
ZONE 1

Legend

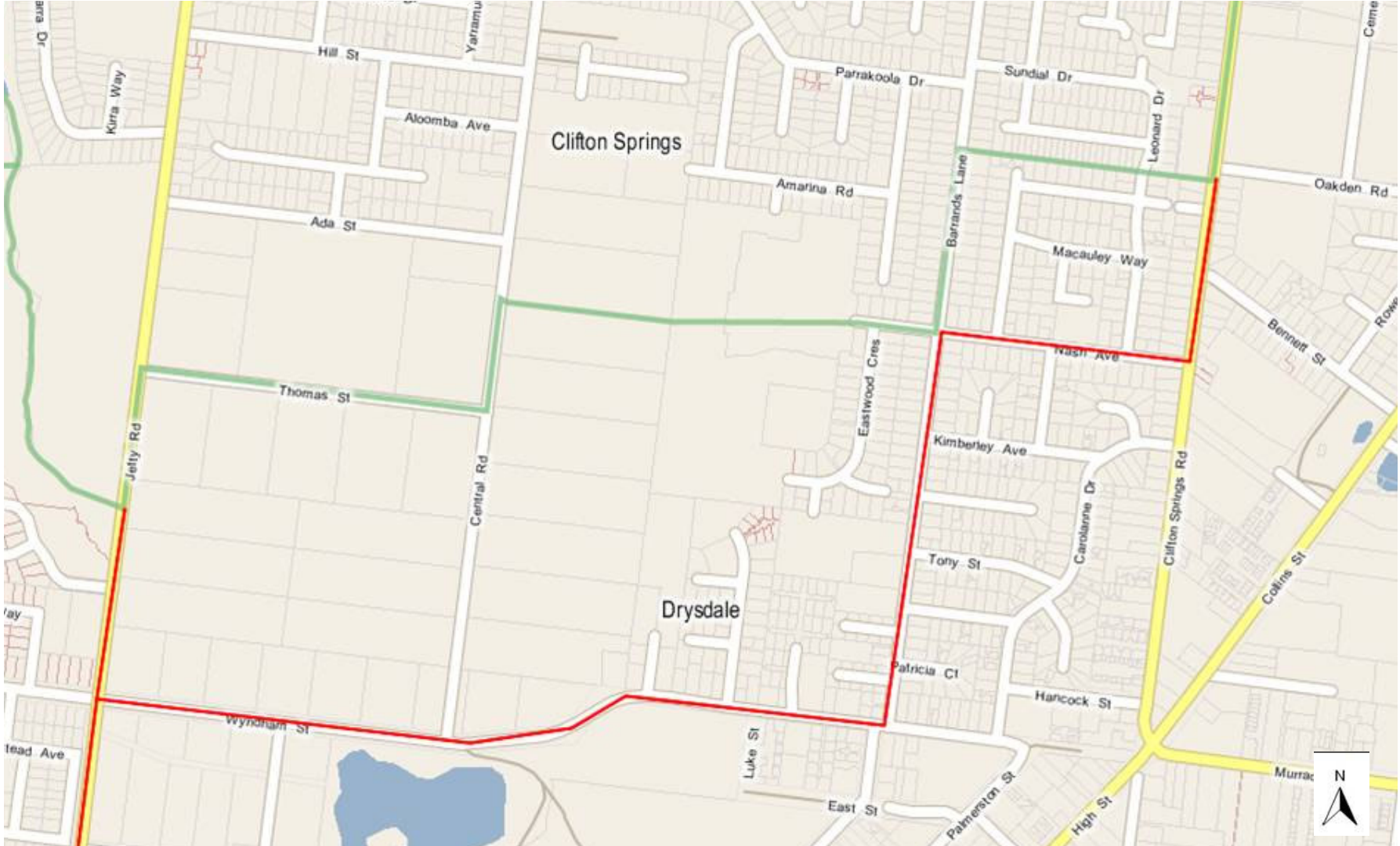
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Appendix C
ZONE 2

Legend

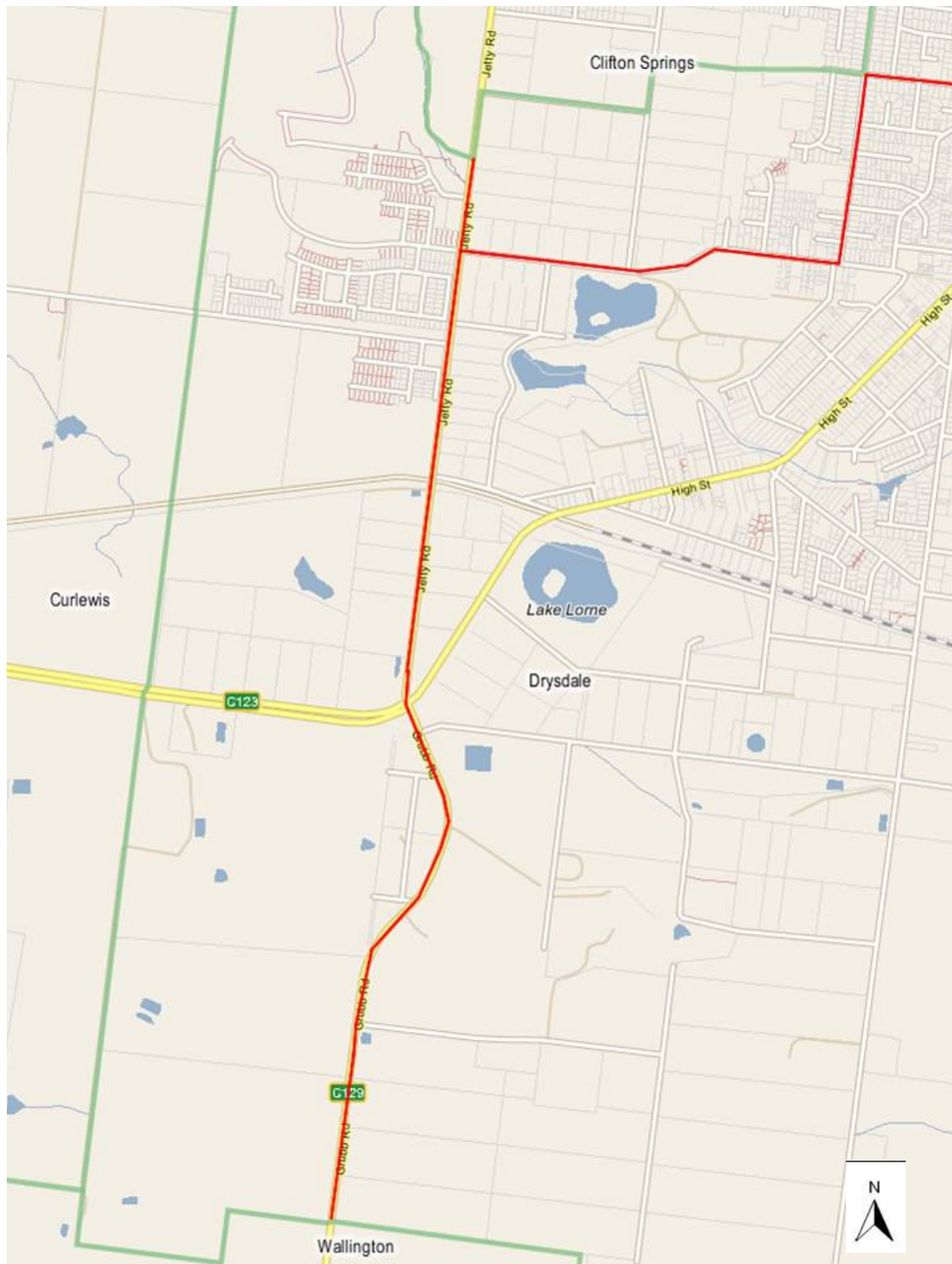
- Current Boundary Alignment
- Proposed Boundary Alignment



Appendix D
ZONE 3 & 4

Legend

- Current Boundary Alignment
- Proposed Boundary Alignment



Crs E & S Kontelj returned to the meeting room at 7.37pm

6. YARRA STREET PIER RECONSTRUCTION

Portfolio:	Major Projects – Cr S Kontelj
Source:	Projects, Recreation & Central Geelong
General Manager:	Dean Frost
Index Reference:	Project: Yarra Street Pier Redevelopment / Cruise Ship Destination / Communications

Summary

- The reconstruction of Yarra Street Pier has been a long term funding priority project for Council.
- Council has committed \$5m to build a new pier, along with the Royal Geelong Yacht Club who has pledged \$2.5m.
- A study commissioned by the City of Greater Geelong in 2010-11 highlighted that, if Geelong had a purpose built publicly owned pier which could guarantee a berth, the City could attract more cruise ships.
- Cruising is the fastest growing segment of the travel industry in the world. Cruise ship arrivals in Victoria have increased by almost 100% in 10 years and 2012/13 will be the biggest season ever.
- The business case included Cunningham Pier as an option and established that it does not meet the overall needs, nor provides any material cost advantages or equivalent economic benefits.
- A new pier at Yarra Street would also accommodate visiting naval units (which have stopped visiting Geelong due to the unavailability of Cunningham Pier) and also enable the city to attract more major events, particularly those requiring water based infrastructure (such as triathlons etc.)
- In partnership with Regional Development Victoria, Tourism Victoria and Geelong Otway Tourism, the City of Greater Geelong commissioned a business case for Yarra Street Pier, incorporating the cruise ship/naval units/major events elements.
- The Yarra Street Pier reconstruction (Geelong: Cruise Ship Destination) project is now at a critical stage and is being promoted as Council's current ('shovel ready') funding priority.
- Geelong-based GHD was appointed to undertake and complete the business case work.

Cr S Kontelj moved, Cr Harwood seconded -

That Council:

- 1) Notes the completion of the Yarra Street Pier reconstruction business case.**
- 2) Notes the progress of the Yarra Street Pier reconstruction funding priority project.**
- 3) Continues to work with all relevant stakeholders to lobby for funding and support of the Yarra Street Pier reconstruction project.**

Carried.

6. YARRA STREET PIER RECONSTRUCTION (CONT'D)

Report

Background

Since the revitalisation of the Waterfront and Central Geelong, there has been over \$938 million of investment in the city in the areas of residential, commercial, education and retail. Public investment in Geelong has always been well supported by private sector investment in the same period of time. The reconstruction of Yarra Street Pier has been a long term funding priority project for Council and the project forms a suite of thirteen funding priority projects, which will further stimulate future investment in Geelong.

During 2010 Council, along with Parks Victoria and the Royal Geelong Yacht Club (RGYC), completed a business case for the reconstruction of Yarra Street Pier. This project was focused upon enhancing opportunities for recreational water uses, including the construction of additional berths and wave attenuation for the RGYC to assist with the expansion of the Festival of Sails event, which currently brings approximately \$12m economic return to Geelong. Through this process Council committed \$5m and the RGYC pledged \$2.5m. Unfortunately Council was unable, at that time, to secure the \$15m plus needed from State Government for the project to proceed. The key reason was that the economic benefits associated with the proposal were not sufficient.

Around this time, Council completed a report looking at the potential size of the market for cruise ships visiting Geelong, which concluded that Geelong could attract up to 25 ships per season, with the economic benefit of each visit around \$1m. Cruising is the fastest growing segment of the travel industry in the world and Cruise ship arrivals in Victoria have increased by almost 100% in 10 years. 2012/13 will be the biggest season ever and, as the gateway to many iconic destinations, Geelong is perfectly positioned to attract cruise ships.

In early 2011, the owners of Cunningham Pier advised Council that they were no longer able to accept cruise ships. This changed the positioning and importance of reconstructing Yarra Street Pier and was an opportunity to refine and reshape the project in order to add the all important economic benefit. In addition to cruise ships, a new pier at Yarra Street could also:

- accommodate visiting naval units (which have stopped visiting Geelong due to the unavailability of Cunningham Pier);
- improve the infrastructure, and provide additional capacity, to enable the expansion of events like the Festival of Sails;
- enable the city to attract more major events, particularly those requiring water based infrastructure (such as triathlons etc);
- attract additional day/weekend recreational boat visits to Geelong;
- provide a safe harbour in Corio Bay;
- operate for multiple uses such as for community fishing; and
- accommodate water-based facilities such as a ferry service.

6. YARRA STREET PIER RECONSTRUCTION (CONT'D)

Discussion

Council secured funding from Tourism Victoria, Regional Development Victoria and Geelong Otway Tourism to match Council's funds to commission a further business case for Yarra Street Pier. The new business case focused on the development of a bespoke pier able to cater for cruise ships, naval vessels and the major events elements, as well as the opportunities of the earlier project. Geelong-based GHD was appointed to undertake and complete the business case work.

Key outcomes of the Yarra Street Pier Reconstruction Business Case

A range of options for the reconstruction of Yarra Street Pier have been considered as part of the business case. However, in order to maximise the economic benefit, a 260m long jetty along the old alignment of the Yarra Street Pier capable of berthing large cruise ships and naval vessels etc. has been recommended. Incorporated into the design will be wave protection, additional marina berths, public berths, and dredging of an approach channel and swing basin to enable access to the facility.

The business case has identified that, if a new pier was built at Yarra Street, the key benefits would include:

- Greater economic returns for both the Geelong region (\$41m) and the State (\$52.4m);
- Approximately 403 FTE new jobs over the first ten years of operation, together with 234 during construction;
- Diversifying the waterfront experience leading to increased activity in Central Geelong;
- Increasing maritime uses of Corio bay by creating a safe harbour to benefit all users (such as recreational boating);
- Securing for the Geelong region a segment of the cruise ship market with up to 4 cruise ship visits per season from 2015, growing to 22 in 2025;
- Improved liveability and profile for Geelong as a Waterfront city;
- Regular port for visiting naval vessels with up to 4 visits per year;
- Improve profile of Port Phillip Bay as a marine destination, thereby increasing regional exposure;
- Attract significant major events and build on Geelong's growing reputation as a host city for events, as a direct result of the new pier infrastructure and;
- Expand the Festival of Sails event (worth an additional \$1.2m spend) and attract 1-2 additional yachting regattas per year.

6. YARRA STREET PIER RECONSTRUCTION (CONT'D)

Business case – fast facts:

Total Capital Costs	\$33.2m ¹
Funding required by State/Federal Government	\$25.7m
Funding committed by Council	\$5m
Funding pledged by Royal Geelong Yacht Club	\$2.5m
Economic Benefit: For Geelong	\$41m
For the State	\$52.4m
Timing (Subject to approvals and government funding announcement in 2012)	July 2012 - December 2014
Risk of not redeveloping Yarra Street Pier	The lack of a suitable publicly-owned pier is limiting the growth of Geelong and diversification into other sectors, which impacts business activity.
Next Steps	Secure funding for a new pier at Yarra Street.

Cunningham Pier

There has been recent media reporting suggesting that the purchase of Cunningham Pier was a viable alternative to the construction of a new Yarra Street Pier. Reports focused on a 'sale' price of \$16.5m (which was subsequently increased to \$20m via email from the Pier owners) against the expected \$33.2m cost of the Yarra Street Pier.

The opportunities of acquiring Cunningham Pier as an option were considered by the business case and ultimately found to be not a reasonable alternative. It is important to note the proposed Yarra Street Pier is significantly different to Cunningham Pier in terms of scope and dimensions.

Negligible Cost Advantages

The Cunningham Pier has been offered for sale at \$20m. Construction of a new Yarra Street Pier to similar dimensions and scope would cost in the order of \$21m. Once maintenance of the 100 year old Cunningham Pier is factored in, the cost equation falls in favour of a new Yarra Street Pier.

¹ Allowance for dredging is \$3.3m, which will enable Vision class cruise ships (260m LOA, 32.2m beam, 7.9m draft) to access Yarra Street Pier.

6. YARRA STREET PIER RECONSTRUCTION (CONT'D)

Key differences between Cunningham Pier and Yarra Street Pier as designed are as follows:

	CUNNINGHAM PIER	YARRA STREET PIER
Cruise Ship Berthing	Can accommodate small 200m ships but there are operational and security issues with the businesses that have been established at the end of the pier.	Can accommodate larger 260m ships.
Event Opportunities	Does not assist with event opportunities.	Is designed to add capacity to Royal Geelong Yacht Club and inter assist grow Festival of Sails event. Also designed to allow for triathlon.
Recreational Boating Opportunities	Does not add to safe harbour berthing.	Provides for safe harbour berthing.
Economic Benefits:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cruise Ships 	Less due to smaller ships (less passengers/crew) and reduced time in port due to operational and security issues.	Greater due to larger ships (more passengers/crew) and unrestricted time in Port (\$41M).
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Event Opportunity 	No change to status.	Additional opportunity linked to expand Festival of Sails and attraction of other events (\$1.2M additional)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction Jobs 	Nil – no construction associated with purchase of pier.	234 jobs identified.

Given this comparison, it was determined that Cunningham Pier was not a viable alternative to reconstructing Yarra Street Pier.

Environmental Implications

All environmental implications were considered and addressed through the development of the business case.

Financial Implications

Council has allocated funding for this project in the long term financial plan. A Council budget exists for the project work being undertaken by the Strategic Projects Department.

6. YARRA STREET PIER RECONSTRUCTION (CONT'D)

Policy/Legal/Statutory Implications

The Yarra Street Pier Reconstruction project is one of Council's thirteen funding priority projects. The project aligns with the Central Geelong Waterfront Master Plan and the Central Geelong Structure Plan.

Officer Direct or Indirect Interest

Officers involved in the preparation of this report do not have a direct or indirect interest.

Risk Assessment

The risks associated with this project have been addressed in the business case. Council has taken a considerable leadership role in promoting this project with very high level stakeholders and the community. If no action is taken to progress this funding priority project following the development of the business case, the reputation of the City of Greater Geelong is at risk of being damaged.

Social Considerations

It is considered that the establishment of a new pier at Yarra Street has the potential to improve the liveability and profile of Geelong as a waterfront city, contribute to the revitalisation of Central Geelong and therefore improve the social wellbeing of the City.

Communication

A substantial amount of internal and external work has already been undertaken to communicate Council's strategies in relation to the Yarra Street Pier Reconstruction project and this will continue.

7. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - 2011/2012 FIRE DANGER PERIOD PREPAREDNESS UPDATE REPORT

Portfolio: Infrastructure - Cr Richards
Source: City Services - Emergency Management
General Manager: Gary Van Driel
Index Reference: Subject: Emergency Management; Council Reports 2012

Summary

- This report is a follow-up report to one received by Council Officers at its December 2011 meeting and provides Council with an update on weather conditions over the last three months as well as the progress of implementing Council's 2011/2012 Fire Danger Period preparedness actions.
- The Fire Danger Period for the City of Greater Geelong, Surfcoast Shire, Borough of Queenscliffe and Golden Plains Shire was declared by the Country Fire Authority on 26th December 2011 and was subsequently closed on 2nd April 2012.
- Approximately 1800 notices were issued by Council's Fire Prevention Unit, however, only 170 required follow up including 95 which were issued infringement notices and slashing operations completed by Council's contractor. Similar to previous years.
- These actions were worked though and during the lead up to the Country Fire Authority declaring the Fire Danger Period for the City of Greater Geelong;
- Out of the 51 preparedness actions, 46 were completed. The remaining fire actions have been scheduled to occur later in the year.

Cr Richards moved, Cr Harwood seconded -

That Council acknowledges the Emergency Management – 2011/2012 Fire Danger Period Preparedness Update Report.

Cr Nelson left the meeting room at 7.48pm

Carried.

Report

Background

Over the last five years, Council officers have taken steps to document actions that will ensure that the municipality, as far as is practicable, is prepared for the annual Fire Danger Period which is usually declared by the Country Fire Authority during November and can continue through to May of the following year.

These preparedness actions complement Council's emergency management planning and ensure that Council meets legislative responsibilities under the Emergency Management Act, 1986 and the Country Fire Authority Act 1958.

This report advises Council as to the progress of implementing Council's 2011/2012 Fire Danger Period preparedness actions.

7. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - 2011/2012 FIRE DANGER PERIOD PREPAREDNESS UPDATE REPORT (CONT'D)

Discussion

1. Bureau of Meteorology - Three Month Forecast and Year to Date Rainfall

For the 3-month period January – end March 2012 (JFM), the BoM were forecasting a wetter season was more likely over northern Australia and Western Australia and a drier season is more likely over Tasmania and southern Victoria. This outlook is due to persistent above average temperatures across the central to southeastern Indian Ocean.

The above forecast was accurate when one recalls that the BoM also stated ‘...’La Niña periods are usually, but not always, associated with above normal rainfall during the second half of the year and summer across large parts of Australia, particularly the eastern and northern regions...’ with a wetter Fire Danger Period (FDP) occurring with the BoM recording the following monthly rainfall totals (see Table One)

BoM Station	Jan 2012 Rainfall Total (mm)	Feb 2012 Rainfall Total (mm)	March 2012 Rainfall Total (mm)
Geelong Racecourse	32.6	59.2	24.2
Lovely Banks (Reservoir)	27.6	4.0	NA
Little River	17.0	43.0	NA
Avalon (Airport)	19.6	55.2	21.8
Clifton Springs	27.6	50.0	NA
Drysdale	39.0	60.8	NA
Ocean Grove	32.7	50.1	NA
Barwon Heads	20.6	58.6	31.2
Portarlington	28.8	67.7	NA
Queenscliff	21.3	39.2	NA

Table One: Monthly Rainfall Totals (source: www.bom.gov.au/climate/data/)

2. 2011/2012 Fire Danger Period

The Fire Danger Period for the City of Greater Geelong, Surfcoast Shire, Borough of Queenscliffe and Golden Plains Shire was declared by the Country Fire Authority on 26th December 2011 and was subsequently closed on 2nd April 2012.

7. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - 2011/2012 FIRE DANGER PERIOD PREPAREDNESS UPDATE REPORT (CONT'D)

3. Preparedness Actions

The 51 Fire Danger Period preparedness actions have been sub-divided into six main categories viz:

- Training
- Database reviews and updates
- Community Education
- Document reviews
- Field Operations
- Miscellaneous

All actions are programmed to be undertaken at particular times of the calendar year and are allocated to particular officers. All actions are also incorporated into Council's Corvu software program so that tracking the status of each action is possible.

Task	Précis	Status
Training		
Municipal Emergency Coordination Centre (MECC) Training	Training of Emergency Management Liaison Officers, Police and Council Officers on the systems, procedures used within the MECC	Delayed due to release on new State wide software. Council's MERO underwent training on 26 th March 2012. This training will now be rolled out to others.
Municipal Emergency Coordination Centre (MECC) Training	Training of administrative officers who provide administrative support to the MECC. This includes the MECC (Facility) Manager	
Maintaining Safety at an Incident (Wildfire Survival) Training	Training / re-training of Council officers on fire behaviour and what actions to take to maintain safety	Completed 30 th Nov
Emergency Relief Centre (ERC) Management Training	Training of ERC Managers and support staff	Completed & on-going
Database Reviews / Updates		
Emergency Relief Centre (ERC) contact database	Check that contact phone numbers of ERC Managers has been updated, keys are available etc	Completed December as part of MEMPlan update
Heavy Plant, equipment and other supplier database	Update contact details for equipment, heavy plant, hardware suppliers, pumps, water tanker etc	Completed 25 th Oct
Water Tanker Suppliers	Update water tanker supplier database	Completed 25 th Oct
Portable Toilet Suppliers	Update portable toilet supplier database	Completed 25 th Oct
Hardware Suppliers	Update hardware supplier database ie <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PPE suppliers • Hardware • Pumps/sandbags • Marquees • Petrol Tankers • Mobile Cranes 	Completed 25 th Oct
Contracted Plant	Update contracted plant/equipment supplier details contracted to the City	Completed 25 th Oct
Static Water Tanks – sports grounds	MERO to liaise with Water Management Officer for current list of static water tanks at sports grounds	Completed 25 th Oct

**7. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - 2011/2012 FIRE DANGER PERIOD
 PREPAREDNESS UPDATE REPORT (CONT'D)**

Community Education		
Councils Emergency Management Web Page	Undertake quality check of contents and hyperlinks	Review to be completed in November 2012
CFA Publications	Obtain copies of key CFA publications and distribute to Council's Customer Service Manager for display at Customer Service Centres	Completed 30 th November
CFA – Community Fireguard meetings	MFPO to attend CFA Community Fireguard meetings in high risk areas of the municipality	Completed -MFPO attended meetings at Anakie x 2, Lt River & Ocean Grove x 1
Community Update	Discussions took place with Council's Media Unit to include articles on the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10/30 Right • Preparing your Home • Preparing the City of Greater Geelong Township Protection Plans • Neighbourhood Safer Places/Places of Last Resort • Fire Hazard Inspection • 2009 Bushfire Royal Commission – What is your Council doing? 	Completed - Nov edition – but due to limited space some topics could not be included
Mail outs to non-resident property owners.	For the second year, Council is participating in a mail outs being coordinated and funded by MAV and Department of Justice. The mail out targets non-resident property owners of properties that lie in high risk fire environments.	Volume of printing delayed task (8,000 vacant & non-vacant records involved). Completed January 2012
Breamlea Community Meeting	Currently being planned for November. Possible issues for discussion include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Latest version of the Breamlea Township Protection Plan 2. Outcomes from the Botanists report - study currently underway 3. Neighbourhood Safer Places/Place of last Resort 4. Fire Sirens - outcomes of study by OESC 5. 2011 DPCD Community Grants prgm - \$5M over 4-years 6. Feedback on the traffic management plan introduced late 2010 7. Local Plans - for high fire risk communities 8. Vulnerable People/facilities 	Meeting delayed as key Agency reps were unavailable. Rescheduled for May to be discussed by Fire Committee.

**7. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - 2011/2012 FIRE DANGER PERIOD
PREPAREDNESS UPDATE REPORT (CONT'D)**

Document Reviews		
Update Municipal Emergency Management Plan (MEMPlan)	All Parts of the plan to be reviewed and any changes to be approved by the Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee	Completed - mail out commenced on Jan 10th
MEMPlan Contact List	Update Part 10 of Plan.	Completed 15 th November 2011 th
Emergency Evacuation Strategy	Annual review of strategy by MEMPC sub-group and ensure that MEMPC approves any changes	Review completed and circulated to sub-group for comments. New EMMV Appendix 9 Evacuation Guidelines were incorporated including the latest approach to vulnerable persons.
Management of Animals During an Emergency Sub-plan	Sub – plan updated (in consultation with Department of Primary Industries). Now need to meet with Council Animal Control Unit	Sub-plan review underway. Delayed as State released new plan
Wildfire Sub-plan	Sub-plan to be updated	Completed Nov 2011
Total Fire Ban Management Procedure	Annual review of City Services Management Procedures of certain actions that are not performed on days declared as a Total Fire Ban and raise at Tool Box meetings	Completed 13 th March 2012
MERO Aide Memoire	Annual review of Aide Memoire that is used by MERO and Deputies. Document contains over 30 checklists that assists the MERO in the performance of his duties	Completed Jan 2012
MECC Contact Lanyard	Update of contact lanyard that is distributed to all attendees at Municipal Emergency Coordination Centre	Completed 15 th November
After Hours Contact Database	Update of outdoor staff contact details following annual staff reviews	Completed November 15 th 2011
Staff Rostering	Review of Staff Rostering document and development of roster for key emergency management & support staff for December - February	Completed - Discussed by CoGG's Emergency Management Group meeting held on December 12 th 2011
Local Plans	Royal Commission No. 3, part 3.1: The development of bushfire local plans for communities at risk of bushfire; two plans have been developed and are currently being considered by the Municipal Emergency management Planning Committee	Completed - September – drafts completed. Waiting on feedback from MEMPC & Regional Fire Management Committee. Note: Issue has been referred to State Fire Committee.
Code Red Guidelines	Review draft CoGG guidelines that control movement/availability of key CoGG Emergency Management Staff	Completed - Report tabled at December 21 st EMT meeting
Essential Water Replacement Policy	Make necessary alterations following State Govt release/update of Policy	Completed – No changes to previous year

**7. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - 2011/2012 FIRE DANGER PERIOD
 PREPAREDNESS UPDATE REPORT (CONT'D)**

Field Operations		
Permit to Burn Signs	MFPO immediately prior to start of Fire Season to liaise with Works Maintenance Officers to have signs erected	Completed - Installed December 24 th 2011
Boundary 774 Warning Signs	Check that signs are in place	Completed - October (One sign slightly damaged, but still legible)
Fire Plug Maintenance	Annual check of fire plugs in very high/extreme fire risk areas within municipality	Completed November
Standpipes	Annual check of Council's 12 standpipes	Completed. Note: CFA Ops Manager advised of 3 inoperative standpipes Bluff Rd, Ballan Rd & Scotchman's Rd
Fire Access Tracks	Annual check to ensure that maintenance works have been completed	Completed October
Fire Hazard Inspections	Fire Prevention Unit to commence 1 st inspections during October	Commenced October 31 st 2011. All 1 st Inspections completed on 11 th January 2012. 2 nd inspections commenced 7 th 2011 and continue Note: better level of compliance that previous years
Roadside Slashing Operations	Council's MFPO & MERO met with Council's Parks Maintenance Unit to review priorities set for the roadside mowing operation program. Priority will be given to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Fire Management Roads • Roads identified within draft Township Protection Plans • Specified reserves 	Completed: Nth Zone completed all rural roads (excluding Avalon – mowing commenced 9 th January 2011)) on 19 th December 2011 Sth Zone completed all rural roads on 22 Dec 2011 East Zone completed all rural roads on Dec 22 2011 Note: all Zones may need to perform 2 nd cuts on some roads.
Static Fire Tanks	Annual check of Council maintained water tanks positioned at Anakie	Completed November 2011
Fuel Reduction Operations – Vacant Blocks	Review of documentation used to employ contractors	Completed: September

**7. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - 2011/2012 FIRE DANGER PERIOD
PREPAREDNESS UPDATE REPORT (CONT'D)**

Council Water Tankers	Annual mechanical check	Completed December 2011
Parks Knap Sacks	Annual check of equipment allocated to tractors/mowers	Completed North Zone: November 2011 South Zone: November 2011 East Zone: December 2011
Fire Kit bags	City Services Stores Unit to recall bags that are deployed with staff deployed to assist CFA. Stores to check contents and re-issue	Completed November 2011
Miscellaneous Actions		
Major Events	Contact Council's major Events Unit and obtain a copy of all events scheduled for Dec – Feb & forward to CFA District 7 Operations Manager	Completed 15 th November 2011
MECC Set-up Rehearsals	Undertake two surprise rehearsals each year	Completed 22 nd November 2011
CFA Fire Season Briefing Meetings	MERO & MFPO to attend CFA District 7 fire season briefings	Completed - As per CFA Schedule
CoGG/CFA Annual meeting	Annual meeting with District 7. Meeting used to discuss key issues	Completed 26 th August 2011
Emergency Management Group	Internal staff meeting to discuss fire season preparedness actions and weather forecasts	Completed 13 th December 2011
MECC Activation Arrangements	Confirm MECC standby/activation arrangements and Agency staffing at Nov Barwon South West Regional Response Meeting	Completed 16 th November 2001
MECC Agency Boxes & Systems Check	Annual check	Completed 22 nd November 2011
Brief MEMPC on Preparedness Actions	At last meeting of MEMPC for the year, MERO, MRM & MFPO to brief the committee at its last meeting for the year on Council's preparedness actions	Completed November
MERO Meeting	Arrange and coordinate MERO meeting with BoQ, SCS, GPS, WCC & MSC	Delayed to post Fire Danger Period
MFPO Meeting	Arrange and coordinate MFPO meeting with BoQ, SCS, GPS, & MSC	Delayed to post Fire Danger Period

In addition to the above, the following key action which was not included within the above list of actions:

Victorian Bushfire Royal Commission Implementation Group

This cross-divisional group is chaired by the General Manager – City Services. Its main task is to ensure all 2009 Victorian Bushfire Royal Commission recommendations that impact on the City are actioned. This group met on 29th November 2011.

7. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - 2011/2012 FIRE DANGER PERIOD PREPAREDNESS UPDATE REPORT (CONT'D)

Note: Royal Commission No. 3, Parts 3.2, 3.2 & 3.4 requires Councils to identify, compile & maintain a list of vulnerable residents who need tailored advice of a recommendation to evacuate and provide this list to local police and anyone with pre-arranged responsibility for helping vulnerable residents evacuate. To this end Council officers have prepared an Excel spreadsheet that contains this data, however, , a funding application under the Natural Disaster Resilience Grants Scheme is currently being prepared that will allow Council's vulnerable persons database to be displayed via its GIS.

Environmental Implications

As per the potential impact on the community, a wildfire can also have a significant impact on the natural and built environments. The impact on the natural environment, in some instances can have a positive impact, however, depending upon the intensity of the fire can also have the opposite impact.

At present Council's Municipal Fire Prevention Officer is continuing to consult with both the Country Fire Authority, the Department of Sustainability and Environment and Council's Environment and Natural Resources and the Planning Departments in order to work through the planning process in order to introduce fuel reduced zones on the south side of the Breamlea Township and roadsides in general as well as undertaking risk assessments of Council's Strategic Fire Management Roads.

Financial Implications

The above preparedness actions are fully budgeted.

Policy/Legal/Statutory Implications

All Victorian Councils have statutory responsibilities under a number of Acts including the Emergency Management Act 1986, and the Country Fire Authority Act 1958. These responsibilities are essentially to resource, plan and respond to emergency situations. Councils are also required to have a Municipal Emergency Management Plan and appoint officers to particular positions under the Emergency Management Act 1986 and the Country Fire Authority Act 1958. The City of Greater Geelong is meeting these responsibilities.

Officer Direct or Indirect Interest

No Council officers associated with writing this report have any direct or indirect interest, in accordance with Section 80 (C) of the Local Government Act.

Risk Assessment

Dealing with a bushfire/wildfire event is high risk for all concerned. To this end, all preparedness actions that have been listed in this report are designed to ensure, as far as is practicable, that the risks to the community from a fire event are mitigated and that the City is prepared and well placed to respond and recover from a bushfire/wildfire.

7. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - 2011/2012 FIRE DANGER PERIOD PREPAREDNESS UPDATE REPORT (CONT'D)

Social Considerations

A wildfire/bushfire has the potential to have a significant impact on the community. To this end, Council needs to ensure that all preparedness actions are completed and that officers charged with emergency management responsibilities are continually reassessing these actions.

Communication

Council continues to promote and educate the community on the fire danger that exists, the actions that Council is taking and more importantly the action that the community needs to undertake. This promotion/education program must be on-going.

Note: preliminary discussions are underway with CFA District 7, as well as representatives from the Shell Refinery and Terminals to role out a new CFA/MMFB promotional program, 'Shelter in Place'. This program targets communities that reside near refineries and chemical facilities.

- * *Cr Granger declared an Indirect Interest in that VR & AR RotiRoti purchased a property from him in June 2011, and left the meeting room at 7.50pm*

8. CONSIDERATION OF TENDER SUBMISSIONS FOR TENDER NO. T12138 – SUPPLY OF CONCRETE AND CONCRETE SERVICES

Portfolio: Infrastructure – Cr Richards
Source: General Manager City Services
General Manager: Gary Van Driel
Index Reference: T12138

Summary

- Council has sought tenders from experienced concrete contractors to establish a panel of preferred suppliers providing concrete and concrete works to the City of Greater Geelong. The panel arrangement will operate for one year commencing 1 July 2012 with the option to extend for one additional period of 12 months.
- A total of ten suppliers submitted tenders for the provision of these services.
- Following a detailed evaluation of each of the submissions the following suppliers have been recommended for inclusion to the panel of preferred suppliers:-

Aaron McCurdy Concreting Pty Ltd	Geelong Kerbing Pty Ltd
Armstrong Creek Concreting	O'Keefe Concreting Pty Ltd
VR & AR RotiRoti Pty Ltd	De Fran Concreting Pty Ltd
Walters Concreting	

- To facilitate the inclusion of additional contractors (if required) it is recommended that the Council delegate to the Chief Executive Officer its' powers and functions to accept additional suppliers who comply with the requirements of the tender and are assessed as acceptable by the Evaluation Panel and report back to Council at the next opportunity.

Cr Richards moved, Cr Harwood seconded -

That Council:

- 1) Accept the tender submission's from:**

Aaron McCurdy Concreting Pty Ltd	De Fran Concreting Pty Ltd
Armstrong Creek Concreting	Geelong Kerbing Pty Ltd
VR & AR RotiRoti Pty Ltd	O'Keefe Concreting Pty Ltd
Walters Concreting	

for Tender No. T12138 - Panel Arrangement for the Supply of Concrete and Concrete Services for the associated schedule of rates (exclusive of GST).

- 2) Sign and seal the contract documents.**
- 3) Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer its powers and functions to accept or reject additional tenders for the supply of concrete and concrete services for a period of up to two years commencing July 2012.**

Cr Nelson re-entered the meeting room at 7.51pm

Carried.

8. **CONSIDERATION OF TENDER SUBMISSIONS FOR TENDER NO. T12138 – SUPPLY OF CONCRETE AND CONCRETE SERVICES (CONT'D)**

Report

Background

The City of Greater Geelong invited tenders for the supply of concrete and concrete services via public advertisement in Tenderlink, the Geelong Advertiser and The Age on Saturday 11 February 2012.

At the close of tenders on 9 March 2012 the following tender submissions were received.

Tenderer
Aaron McCurdy Concreting Pty Ltd
Norris Plant Hire Pty Ltd
Walters Concreting
Metro Plant & Civil Services
De Fran Concreting Pty Ltd
Armstrong Creek Concreting
Geelong Kerbing Pty Ltd
O'Keefe Concreting Pty Ltd
VR & AR RotiRoti Pty Ltd
Civilex Victoria Pty Ltd

All tenders were submitted exclusive of GST.

Discussion

The tender submissions were evaluated by a panel consisting of:

Name	Title
Mat Trezise	Senior Civil Inspector
David Neil	Project Officer Construction
Colin Hatton	Coordinator Capital Projects
Brett Gilliland	Contracts Officer (Advisor)

Stage One – Mandatory Criteria

The Mandatory requirements that apply to this Tender are:

<p><u>Must</u> comply with OH&S requirements detailed in the Tender Schedule.</p>

All submissions complied with the mandatory criteria and proceeded to the second stage of evaluation.

8. CONSIDERATION OF TENDER SUBMISSIONS FOR TENDER NO. T12138 – SUPPLY OF CONCRETE AND CONCRETE SERVICES (CONT'D)

Stage Two – Comparative Criteria

Tender submissions were assessed based on the respondent's performance or tender response in the following areas:

Criteria	Weighting
Project Delivery - Capability & Experience - Staffing and Equipment - Plan/Process for Delivering Works - Extent of Subcontractors	60%
Quality Systems and Environmental / Risk Management	20%
Financial Stability	10%
Economic Contribution to the Geelong Region	10%
	100%

Tenders were assessed against the comparative criteria to determine whether they possess the necessary resources, experience and ability. Suppliers who achieved a rating of acceptable or higher were then evaluated on their ability to provide value for money to Council.

The suppliers who combined the necessary skills while providing the most competitive prices were rated suitable for inclusion on the concrete services panel (refer below).

Recommended Panel of Suppliers

Tenderer	Rank
Aaron McCurdy Concreting Pty Ltd	1
Armstrong Creek Concreting	2
Geelong Kerbing Pty Ltd	3
VR & AR RotiRoti Pty Ltd	4
De Fran Concreting Pty Ltd	5
O'Keefe Concreting Pty Ltd	6
Walters Concreting	7

Contact will be made with the unsuccessful tenderers, providing an opportunity to offer feedback as to why their submissions were unsuccessful.

Overview of Preferred Suppliers

Aaron McCurdy Concreting are a Geelong based supplier who has operated for 7 years. They currently provide concreting services for Capital Projects and have a good track record of delivering quality work. They have an experienced workforce and were able to demonstrate to the Evaluation Panel that they have the capacity to successfully deliver the works.

8. CONSIDERATION OF TENDER SUBMISSIONS FOR TENDER NO. T12138 – SUPPLY OF CONCRETE AND CONCRETE SERVICES (CONT'D)

Armstrong Creek Concreting is a current contractor on CoGG's concreting services panel with a reputation for providing excellent work. Their submission demonstrated how they would perform the concrete works along with evidence of their quality and environmental practices. Armstrong Creek Concreting is compliant with Council's OH&S requirements and supported this with documentation detailing their current workplace health & safety practices.

Geelong Kerbing is a contracted supplier with 26 years experience providing concreting services to both the Construction and Project Implementation Units. During the existing contract period they have delivered quality work, on time and with minimal supervision.

VR & AR RotiRoti is a contracted supplier with a proven track record of delivering quality work for Council. Being Geelong based (for over 30 years) they source materials, engage subcontractors and employ staff from within the local community. They provided detailed OH&S documentation demonstrating their compliance with Council's OH&S requirements.

De Fran Concreting is a current incumbent on the contracted supplier panel performing predominantly footpath work. The submission generally lacked detail and their final score was reliant on the prior knowledge of the Evaluation Panel in assessing their capability to deliver the works. They did provide detailed OH&S documentation demonstrating their compliance with Council's OH&S requirements.

O'Keefe Concreting has operated in the Geelong region for 10 years. They are currently on the concrete services panel and their performance is excellent.

Walters Concreting is currently contracted to provide concrete footpaths for the Surf Coast Shire. Their submission included details of their staffing, plant and equipment and being Geelong based highlighted their use of local subcontractors and material suppliers. The Evaluation Panel received positive references highlighting Walters quality of work and reliability.

To facilitate the inclusion of additional contractors (if required) it is recommended that the Council delegate to the Chief Executive Officer its' powers and functions to accept additional suppliers who comply with the requirements of the tender and are assessed as acceptable by the Evaluation Panel and report back to Council at the next opportunity.

Environmental Implications

Any environmental implications associated with this contract will arise from the execution of this service / works. It is considered that these are the responsibility of the Contractor and will be managed through the contract documentation.

Financial Implications

This is a schedule of rates tender and will rely upon the funds allocated in Council's budget code C02307 for the 2012/13 financial year. The budget allocation for this service is approximately \$3,000,000 per annum.

**8. CONSIDERATION OF TENDER SUBMISSIONS FOR TENDER NO. T12138 –
SUPPLY OF CONCRETE AND CONCRETE SERVICES (CONT'D)**

Policy/Legal/Statutory Implications

The requirements of Section 186 of the Local Government Act have been complied with for this tender. There are no other policy, legal or statutory implications associated with this tender process.

Officer Direct or Indirect Interest

No officers or contractors involved in the preparation of this report have a direct or indirect interest in matters to which this report relates.

Risk Assessment

There are not considered to be any risks associated with the acceptance of this tender that cannot be managed through the contract conditions.

Social Considerations

There are no social implications that will arise from the acceptance of this tender.

Communications

There are no communication issues associated with the acceptance of this tender. Councils representative will liaise with affected community groups.

Cr Granger re-entered the meeting room at 7.52pm

COMMON SEAL REGISTER

Cr Harwood moved, Cr Granger seconded -

That the following document be signed and sealed by Council.

Carried.

1. SECTION 173 AGREEMENT BETWEEN GREATER GEELONG CITY COUNCIL AND IVAN PAUSAK, 115 SETTLEMENT ROAD, BELMONT

Portfolio:	Planning – Cr Macdonald
Source:	Economic Development, Planning & Tourism
General Manager:	Peter Bettess
Property:	115 Settlement Road, Belmont
Application No:	1243/2011

Officers' Comments

This Agreement pursuant to Section 173 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 was required by Condition 9 of Planning Permit No. 1243/2011 issued on 17 January 2012 which allowed the Construction of Second Dwelling and Two Lot Subdivision.

The purpose of the Agreement provides for all development to be in accordance with the endorsed plans forming part of Planning Permit 1243/2011 (or any amendment to that permit) or any subsequent Planning Permit for the abovementioned site. Before construction commences on site for the dwelling, application must be made to the Registrar of Titles to register the Section 173 Agreement on Title to the land under Section 181 of the Act.

Owner's Obligations

The owner of the land must enter into an agreement with the Responsible Authority pursuant to Section 173 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority which provides for all development to be in accordance with the endorsed plans forming part of Planning Permit 1243/2011 (or any amendment to that permit) or any subsequent Planning Permit. The owner must pay the costs of preparation, execution and registration of the agreement and the agreement must be registered on the newly created title/s. The Section 173 Agreement may be ended by the Responsible Authority at the written request of the owner and at no cost to Council.

Council Obligations

Nil

ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS RECORD

Portfolio: Democracy and Governance – Cr Mitchell
Source: Corporate Services
General Manager: Jeff Wall

Summary

- Section 80A (2) of the Local Government Act 1989 requires the record of an Assembly of Councillors be reported to the next practicable Ordinary Meeting of Council.
- A record of Assembly of Councillors meeting(s) is attached as an Appendix to this report.

**Cr Harwood moved, Cr Granger seconded -
That the information be received.**

Carried.

**RECORD OF ASSEMBLIES OF COUNCILLORS
(Council Meeting 8 May 2012)**

Assembly Details	Councillor Attendees	Officer Attendees	Matters Discussed	Conflict of Interest Disclosures
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre – Project Control Group 7 February 2012	Crs Mitchell, Abley, Richards	S Griffin (CEO) D Frost (GM) P Jamieson (MGR) S Cavanagh (MGR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Terms of Reference • Project Update • Outcomes of Project Working Group and Project Design Group Meetings • Funding Update • Risk Profile Review and Update 	Nil.
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre – Project Control Group 27 March 2012	Crs Granger, Abley, Richards	S Griffin (CEO) D Frost (GM) J McMahon (GM) S Cavanagh (MGR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Update • Outcomes of Project Working Group and Project Design Group Meetings • Funding Update • Risk Profile Review and Update 	Nil.
Budget Briefing 23 April 2012	Crs Mitchell, Richards, Abley, Harwood, E Kontelj, Nelson, Fisher, Granger, S Kontelj, Macdonald, Doull	S Griffin (CEO) P Bettess (GM) G Van Driel (GM) D Frost (GM) J McMahon (GM) J Wall (GM) M Kelly (MGR) K Fulton (CO ORD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Process for Conflict of Interest declarations Draft Budget • Proposed changes to Draft Budget • Funding Options • Community Priorities 	Nil.
Councillor Briefing 1 May 2012	Crs Mitchell, Fisher, Granger, Harwood, Macdonald, Nelson	S Griffin (CEO) P Bettess (GM) G Van Driel (GM) D Frost (GM) J McMahon (GM) J Wall (GM) R Bourke (CO ORD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boundary Realignment – Drysdale, Clifton Springs and Curlewis • Boundary Realignment – North Geelong (Bay Section) to Rippleside • Yarra Street Pier Reconstruction • Emergency Management – 2011/2012 Fire Danger Period Preparedness Update Report • Consideration of Tender Submissions for Tender T12138 – Supply of Concrete and Concrete Services 	Nil.

NOTICE OF MOTION – Cr Andy Richards

Upgrade and Maintenance of Pioneer Road, Grovedale

Pioneer Road, Grovedale is a major VicRoads' controlled arterial road in southern Geelong. It links Torquay Road with the Princes Highway, along with the Waurin Ponds LeisureLink, the new Waurin Ponds Library, the baseball centre and Waurin Ponds Shopping Centre. It also links eastern Grovedale with the Geelong Ring Road. At its western end, Pioneer Road is a significant bottleneck.

Upgrade:

In 2010, the current state government committed to substantially upgrading Pioneer Road from Princes Highway to Meadowvale Drive. This upgrade will ensure better access to all the facilities at the western end of Pioneer Road. The estimated project cost was \$14 million. In the 2011/2012 State government budget, \$5 million was allocated for this project, realizing a shortfall of \$9 million. If the project is staged in two parts, the project cost will significantly increase by over \$1 million. As the project needs to be fully funded to \$14 million to make any significant difference to traffic in the area, the state government should allocate the remaining \$9 million to the project as soon as possible, so that the project can commence.

Maintenance:

As a major arterial road, it is the state government's responsibility to maintain Pioneer Road. In 2010, the current state government committed to increasing funding for maintenance of VicRoads controlled roads. Pioneer Road is currently in a very poorly maintained state, and requires significant maintenance work from Torquay Road to Meadowvale Drive.

Cr Richards moved, Cr Abley seconded -

That Council writes to Member for South Barwon, Andrew Katos, State and Shadow Ministers for Transport, and all State Upper House Members for Western Victoria, Victorian Federal Senators, Federal Opposition Minister for Transport, State and Federal Opposition Leaders, Premier of the State, Federal Minister for Corangamite, Darren Cheeseman, and the Prime Minister, Julia Gillard, requesting:

- a) that the remaining \$9 million in funding be allocated for the upgrade of Pioneer Road, Grovedale, from Princes Highway to Meadowvale Drive as soon as possible;**
- b) that funding be allocated to significantly improve the maintenance of Pioneer Road from Torquay Road to Meadowvale Drive.**

Carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION – Cr S Kontelj

An application has been received under the Councillor Community Grants Program that falls outside the established grant guidelines.

The applicant is the St John's Lutheran School who has applied for funds to support its annual Mother's Day Fete fundraising event. The event has previously received funding from this program on two occasions. The Councillor Community Grants Program does not generally provide funding on an ongoing basis.

Where Councillors wish to support and fund such applications from the Councillor Community Grants Program funding allocation, the applications are brought to Council for consideration.

Cr S Kontelj moved, Cr Richards seconded -

That Council support the following Councillor Community Grant Ward allocation to St John's Lutheran School for its 2012 Mother's Day Fete.

Ward name	Allocation
Kildare	\$1000

Carried.

CLOSE OF MEETING

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 8.07pm. Tuesday, 8 May 2012.

Signed: _____
Chairperson

Date of Confirmation: _____