



Supplementary Agenda Item

Thursday, 21 March 2019

Supplementary Agenda Item for the Derwent Valley Council for the month of March 2019.

The Council may resolve by absolute majority to deal with this item, as reported by the General Manager in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

If resolved by Council, this item will become Item 10.12 under Reports of Officers.

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10.12 Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority (STCA) Board Recommendations

NO:	
Reporting Officer:	General Manager
Date:	21 March 2019
File:	
Appendices:	(A) STCA Board Meeting – Outcome Statement 18 March 2019

RECOMMENDATION

That the Council support the recommendations of the Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority (STCA) board and resolve to continue its membership of the STCA for the 2019/2020 financial year.

PURPOSE

To ascertain the position of the Council in remaining a member or withdrawing membership from the STCA.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting on 18 February 2019, the STCA board recommended that:-

- 2019/2020 secretariat support being funded out of reserves;
- 2019/2020 member subscriptions being set at nil;
- Waste Strategy South and Regional Climate Change Initiative continue for a further 12 months, subject to appropriate due diligence;
- A report to be provided to the Board prior to 31 March 2019 on proposed 2019/2020 STCA actions and what advocacy role it can play for the Southern region.

The STCA Board met on 18 March to consider papers provided in response to the above resolution and reaffirmed its recommendation from the February meeting.

DETAILS

There has been a material change in the composition of the STCA board following the number of new Mayors in the South of the state. It would be appropriate to enable the “new” board to develop strategies for the STCA and to shape its future.

There had been some agitation by some Councils to leave the STCA due to inaction and lack of results and Clarence City Council has approved a motion to leave the STCA.

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS *(Statutory Requirements)*

There are no significant Statutory Implications.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS *(Strategic Plan Reference)*

- 1 - A regionally Diverse, competitive and Innovative valley that is attractive to all*
- 2 - A well planned and supported infrastructure to meet the growing demands of the region*
- 3 - We preserve, protect and promote our lived, built and Natural Environment*
- 4 - Services are integrated to maximise opportunities and participation*
- 5 - The valley has a range of activities to improve physical or mental wellbeing*
- 6 - The valley has highly liveable and engaged communities supported by access to its needs*
- 7 - The Derwent Valley brand shapes our story and reputation*
- 8 - The Plan is implemented through effective and transparent governance and partnerships*

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no significant Policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There is no need for a budget allocation for the STCA for the 2019/2020 financial year.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

There are no significant Risk Implications.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

Mayor Shaw

COMMENT

There will not be a cost to Council to be a part of the STCA for the new year. It is recommended that the Council determine to remain in the STCA in order to participate in addressing the issues of Waste Management and Climate Change and determining the future of the STCA.



The STCA Board met on Monday 18 March 2019 in response to its recommendation made on 18 February that

- 2019/20 secretariat support being funded out of reserves;
- 2019/20 member subscriptions being set at nil;
- Waste Strategy South and the Regional Climate Change Initiative continue for a further 12 months, subject to appropriate due diligence.
- A report be provided to the Board prior to 31 March 2019 on proposed 2019/20 STCA actions and what advocacy role it can play for the Southern region.

The Board discussed the paper provided in response to the above resolution and reaffirmed its recommendation from the February meeting, namely:

- Waste Strategy South and the Regional Climate Change Initiative continue for a further 12 months (at an estimated cost of \$243,395);
- 2019/20 secretariat support be funded out of reserves (at an estimated cost of \$30,000);
- 2019/20 members subscriptions be set at nil.

The Board noted that based on the financial analysis undertaken that it is anticipated that there will be approximately \$136,715 in funds available for 2020/21 given the 2019/20 financial commitments for administrative support, Regional Climate Change Initiative, Waste Strategy South and the Regional Planning Initiative.

A Mayor's workshop be convened in mid-May 2019 to discuss ongoing regional collaboration, the role of the STCA after June 2020 and that this be supported by a communications strategy. Councils are to provide key priorities for regional collaboration for discussion at the workshop to the secretariat by end of April.

Garage Sale Trail

The STCA Board discussed the Garage Sale Trail information circulated and agreed in principle to ongoing support for the Garage Sale Trail, subject to the General Manager of the City of Hobart meeting with the Garage Sale Trail Co-Founder for the purposes of providing a proposal which is to be considered at the Mayor's workshop in late May.

It was noted that any financial support provided to the Garage Sale Trail would impact on the anticipated 2020/21 end of year result.