



**MORNINGTON
PENINSULA**
Shire

MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, 9 MAY 2023

6.30PM

**MUNICIPAL OFFICES
BESGROVE STREET, ROSEBUD**

MORNINGTON PENINSULA SHIRE COUNCIL

WARDS AND COUNCILLORS

Briars	Cr Steve Holland Cr Anthony Marsh Cr Despi O'Connor
Cerberus	Cr Lisa Dixon
Nepean	Cr Susan Bissinger Cr Sarah Race
Red Hill	Cr David Gill
Seawinds	Cr Simon Brooks Cr Antonella Celi Cr Debra Mar
Watson	Cr Kate Roper

EXECUTIVE TEAM

Mr John Baker Ms Tanya Scicluna Ms Sam Stanton Mr Mike McIntosh Mr Bulent Oz	Chief Executive Officer Director – Community Strengthening Director – Corporate Strategy and Business Improvement Director – Planning and Infrastructure Chief Financial Officer
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RECORDING

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1 OPENING AND WELCOME

Meeting opened at 6.33pm

Appointed Chairperson – Mayor, Cr Steve Holland

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

(Read by Cr Brooks)

Mornington Peninsula Shire acknowledges the Bunurong people, who have been the custodians of this land for many thousands of years; and pays respect to their elders past and present. We acknowledge that the land on which we meet is the place of age-old ceremonies, celebrations, initiation and renewal; and that the Bunurong peoples' living culture continues to have a unique role in the life of this region.

2 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Present

Mayor, Cr Steve Holland (Chairperson)
Cr Susan Bissinger
Cr Simon Brooks
Cr Antonella Celi
Cr Lisa Dixon
Cr David Gill
Deputy Mayor, Cr Debra Mar
Cr Anthony Marsh
Cr Despi O'Connor
Cr Sarah Race
Cr Kate Roper

Mr John Baker, Chief Executive Officer

2.1 Apologies

Nil.

2.2 Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest Pursuant to Sections 126 – 131 of the *Local Government Act 2020*

Nil.

3 MANAGEMENT REPORTS

OFFICE OF THE CEO

3.1 2023/2024 Annual Budget - Capital Works & Operating Projects

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

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 - A. \$2,470,000 for 'Municipal Major Roads Streetlight Upgrade'
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Seconded: Cr Race

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Part B:

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4. Womin Djeka Balnarring, First Nations arts festival – ongoing community project (\$15,000)
5. Racecourse Reserve Dromana, Recreation Masterplan, concept design (\$80,000)
6. Endeavour Fern Gully, Arthurs Seat Road, National Trust property Education and Environment Centre - part funding request (\$30,000)
7. De sexing Cats subsidy (\$10,000)
8. Dump points to encourage caravan tourists – develop as part of Tourism Plan, stage 1 Hastings (\$10,000)
9. Waiver the tree removal permit fee on roadsides for dangerous and nominated pest plants including pines where adjacent landholders voluntarily pay the cost of removal (\$6,000)
10. Community Garden consultation and policy development (\$9,000)
11. Peninsula Wildlife Hospital, preliminary investigation and concept development (\$20,000)

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12. A Fenton Hall redevelopment concept plan in conjunction with community and potential user groups to develop this unused well sited space into a productive resource for the Peninsula (\$35,000)
13. A feasibility study for traffic works in Arthurs Seat Road, Red Hill to enable safe pedestrian crossing adjacent to Focus Assisted Living / disability centre and opposite shops (\$20,000)
14. Trial road pavement warning markings for wildlife in rural areas (\$15,000)
15. Increased digital mobile wildlife warning signage, two new sets (\$14,000)
16. Next stage of development of Flinders Common concept plan (\$20,000)
17. Community Strengthening Directorate to address economic and social disadvantage and improve social connection 2 FTE staff (\$195,000)
18. Design / stage 1 pedestrian path along Nepean Highway near Aldi, Dromana (\$25,000)
19. Landcare Network to provide additional biolinks through private land and road verges (\$50,000) as part of ongoing program
20. Somers - Camp Hill Road footpath stage 2 implementation (\$380,000)
21. Angel Archers club, facilities at Balnarring Racecourse club area (\$20,000)
22. Red Hill Consolidated School pedestrian safety works, traffic and parking issues as outlined in their submission design plan (\$30,000)
23. Red Hill Tennis Club lights – upgrade of light poles and LED globes (\$10,000)
24. Consideration up to \$5 million from any half year surplus for carbon neutrality policy outcomes
25. Main Ridge Tennis and Bowls club Drainage and minor works implementation (\$20,000)
26. Southern Peninsula indoor stadium scoping (\$40,000)
27. Patterson Grove, Flinders completion of Council endorsed works (\$25,000)
28. Flinders Way - Funding informal path network community submission scoping and concept design (\$20,000)
29. St Marks, Balnarring car park next stage, implementation (\$50,000)
30. Community Hub Study, Balnarring (\$20,000)
31. Mornington Table Tennis pavilion extension concept design (\$44,000)
32. Hydro panels – Shire wide, stage 1 (\$15,000)
33. Flinders Cricket Club pavilion renovation (\$110,000)
34. Community roadside garden policy implementation (\$10,000)
35. Balnarring Bowls Club – car park upgrade (\$42,000)

3.1 (Cont.)

36. Support Plan for dog schools as part of responsible pet ownership and leash free areas policies. (\$20,000)
37. Green Wedge Art Show (\$20,000) extra funding
38. Bus shelter Cape Schack (\$5,000)
39. Bus shelter Byrnes Road Shoreham (\$5,000)
40. Water recycling initiative scoping and advocacy (\$30,000) hinterland area
41. Flinders Pier pathway entrance for pedestrians (\$50,000)
42. Tootgarook – Shade sail in Leonard Street and Romney Parks, Tootgarook (\$60,000)
43. Rye – playground rubber matting for all abilities access (\$250,000)
44. Blairgowrie – Stringers Reserve Landscape Plan (\$50,000)
45. Sorrento – Tennis court lights (\$100,000)
46. Portsea – Newton Reserve Amenity Upgrade (\$400,000)
47. Upgrade to Bittern Memorial Hall and Reserve
48. Changing Places toilets to be included in Hastings Foreshore Masterplan.
49. Blairgowrie Stringer Reserve, design of ground upgrade (to make it compliant for AFL seniors women) - planning
50. Sorrento Foreshore toilet including changing places toilet
51. Portsea/Sorrento Hotham Road footpath
52. Portsea – road side tree plan including Sorrento
53. Sorrento – Hotham Road parking plan
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57. Blairgowrie – Penman reserve carpark toilet disability compliant (changing places)
58. Blairgowrie – bike lanes to St Johns Wood Road
59. Blairgowrie – landscaping works to reserve on Point Nepean Road including wire fence
60. Sorrento – St Pauls Road opposite general store car park
61. Sorrento – St Pauls Road vegetation clearance
62. Portsea – Newton reserve toilet block.

3.1 (Cont.)

At the request of Cr Holland the Amendment was voted on in Parts

Clause 1-4, 6-8 and Part B

Vote by Division (Requested by Cr Bissinger)

For: Cr Gill, Cr O'Connor, Cr Dixon, Cr Race, Cr Roper, Cr Mar, Cr Brooks, Cr Celi and Cr Holland

Against: Cr Marsh and Cr Bissinger

Clause 5 **Carried**

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Carried

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Lost

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Carried Unanimously

AMENDMENT

Moved: Cr Gill
Seconded: Cr Brooks

Clause 3 with the addition of:

That the paid parking trial amount of \$810,000 be deleted and \$810,000 be added to toward Carbon Neutrality projects as itemised in the Council Plan.

Vote by Division (Requested by Cr Gill)

For: Cr Gill and Cr Celi

Against: Cr O'Connor, Cr Marsh, Cr Dixon, Cr Bissinger, Cr Race, Cr Roper, Cr Mar,
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Amendment Lost

AMENDMENT

Moved: Cr Marsh
Seconded: Cr Bissinger

Delete Clause 8 in full.

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Amendment Lost

For clarity the Council decision is repeated below

COUNCIL DECISION

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Seconded: Cr Race

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- 9. Waiver the tree removal permit fee on roadsides for dangerous and nominated pest plants including pines where adjacent landholders voluntarily pay the cost of removal (\$6,000)**
- 10. Community Garden consultation and policy development (\$9,000)**
- 11. Peninsula Wildlife Hospital, preliminary investigation and concept development (\$20,000)**
- 12. A Fenton Hall redevelopment concept plan in conjunction with community and potential user groups to develop this unused well sited space into a productive resource for the Peninsula (\$35,000)**
- 13. A feasibility study for traffic works in Arthurs Seat Road, Red Hill to enable safe pedestrian crossing adjacent to Focus Assisted Living / disability centre and opposite shops (\$20,000)**
- 14. Trial road pavement warning markings for wildlife in rural areas (\$15,000)**
- 15. Increased digital mobile wildlife warning signage, two new sets (\$14,000)**
- 16. Next stage of development of Flinders Common concept plan (\$20,000)**
- 17. Community Strengthening Directorate to address economic and social disadvantage and improve social connection 2 FTE staff (\$195,000)**

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18. Design / stage 1 pedestrian path along Nepean Highway near Aldi, Dromana (\$25,000)
19. Landcare Network to provide additional biolinks through private land and road verges (\$50,000) as part of ongoing program
20. Somers - Camp Hill Road footpath stage 2 implementation (\$380,000)
21. Angel Archers club, facilities at Balnarring Racecourse club area (\$20,000)
22. Red Hill Consolidated School pedestrian safety works, traffic and parking issues as out lined in their submission design plan (\$30,000)
23. Red Hill Tennis Club lights – upgrade of light poles and LED globes (\$10,000)
24. Consideration up to \$5 million from any half year surplus for carbon neutrality policy outcomes
25. Main Ridge Tennis and Bowls club Drainage and minor works implementation (\$20,000)
26. Southern Peninsula indoor stadium scoping (\$40,000)
27. Patterson Grove, Flinders completion of Council endorsed works (\$25,000)
28. Flinders Way - Funding informal path network community submission scoping and concept design (\$20,000)
29. St Marks, Balnarring car park next stage, implementation (\$50,000)
30. Community Hub Study, Balnarring (\$20,000)
31. Mornington Table Tennis pavilion extension concept design (\$44,000)
32. Hydro panels – Shire wide, stage 1 (\$15,000)
33. Flinders Cricket Club pavilion renovation (\$110,000)
34. Community roadside garden policy implementation (\$10,000)
35. Balnarring Bowls Club – car park upgrade (\$42,000)
36. Support Plan for dog schools as part of responsible pet ownership and leash free areas policies. (\$20,000)
37. Green Wedge Art Show extra funding (\$20,000)
38. Bus shelter Cape Schack (\$5,000)
39. Bus shelter Byrnes Road Shoreham (\$5,000)
40. Water recycling initiative scoping and advocacy (\$30,000) hinterland area
41. Flinders Pier pathway entrance for pedestrians (\$50,000)
42. Tootgarook – Shade sail in Leonard Street and Romney Parks, Tootgarook (\$60,000)

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43. Rye – playground rubber matting for all abilities access (\$250,000)
44. Blairgowrie – Stringers Reserve Landscape Plan (\$50,000)
45. Sorrento – Tennis court lights (\$100,000)
46. Portsea – Newton Reserve Amenity Upgrade (\$400,000)
47. Upgrade to Bittern Memorial Hall and Reserve
48. Changing Places toilets to be included in Hastings Foreshore Masterplan.
49. Blairgowrie Stringer Reserve, design of ground upgrade (to make it compliant for AFL seniors women) - planning
50. Sorrento Foreshore toilet including changing places toilet
51. Portsea/Sorrento Hotham Road footpath
52. Portsea – road side tree plan including Sorrento
53. Sorrento – Hotham Road parking plan
54. Sorrento – Bowen Road/Point Nepean informal carpark planning
55. Sorrento – Pedestrian Crossing Morce Avenue from supermarket to car park
56. Sorrento – raised pedestrian crossing on Kerferd Avenue
57. Blairgowrie – Penman reserve carpark toilet disability compliant (changing places)
58. Blairgowrie – bike lanes to St Johns Wood Road
59. Blairgowrie – landscaping works to reserve on Point Nepean Road including wire fence
60. Sorrento – St Pauls Road opposite general store car park
61. Sorrento – St Pauls Road vegetation clearance
62. Portsea – Newton reserve toilet block.

Carried

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

That the meeting be adjourned at 7.44pm for a short recess.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

That the meeting be resumed at 7.53pm.

4 MEETING CLOSE

As there was no further business, the meeting closed at 8.43pm.

Confirmed this 16th Day of May 2023

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Mayor, Cr Steve Holland, Chairperson - Council