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# MINUTES

## ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

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**Tuesday 12 March 2024**

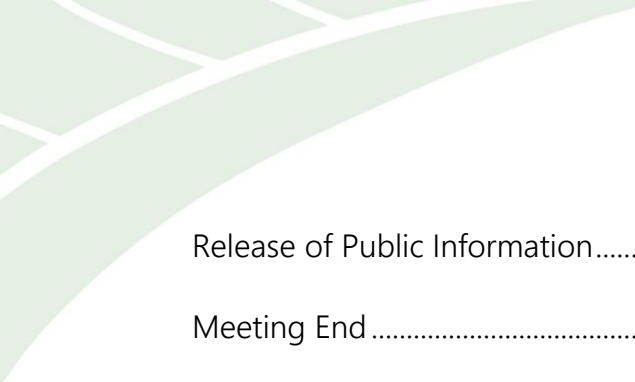
**Time** 3.00pm

**Location** Council Chambers  
26 Lyall Street  
Westbury, Tasmania

**Phone** (03) 6393 5300

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# Opening of Meeting - Attendance and Apologies

## Chairperson Election

**Motion** Pursuant to regulation 10 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, in the absence of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, the Councillors elect Councillor John Temple as the chairperson for 12 March 2024 Ordinary and Closed Council Meeting.

**Moved** Councillor Anne-Marie Loader

**Seconded** Councillor Kevin House

**Votes for** Councillor Kevin House  
Councillor Michael Kelly  
Councillor Anne-Marie Loader  
Councillor Rodney Synfield  
Councillor John Temple  
Councillor Daniel Smedley

**Votes against** Nil

**Abstained** Nil

To abstain from voting at a Council Meeting is to vote in the negative: *Local Government (Meeting Procedure) Regulations 2015: s28.*

**Motion carried by simple majority**

**Resolution: 30/2024**

Meeting opened at 3:04 pm.

**Chairperson** Councillor John Temple

**Councillors Present** Councillor Kevin House  
Councillor Michael Kelly  
Councillor Anne-Marie Loader  
Councillor Rodney Synfield  
Councillor Daniel Smedley

**Leave of Absence** Mayor Wayne Johnson  
Deputy Mayor Stephanie Cameron  
Councillor Ben Dudman

**Officers Present** Jonathan Harmey General Manager  
Wezley Frankcombe Manager Governance and Performance  
Peter Jones Acting Director Infrastructure Services  
Craig Davies Director Corporate Services  
Matthew Millwood Director Works  
Krista Palfreyman Director Development and Regulatory Services  
Melissa Straughan Communications Officer  
Robert Little Asset Management Coordinator  
Leanne Rabjohns Town Planner

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## Acknowledgment of Country

The Chairperson acknowledged the Pallitore and Panninher past peoples and the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we gather for the Council Meeting, paid respects to elders past and present and extended those respects to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples present.

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## Confirmation of Minutes

**Motion** Receive and confirm minutes of the last Ordinary Council Meeting held 13 February 2024

**Moved** Councillor Anne-Marie Loader

**Seconded** Councillor Michael Kelly

**Votes for** Councillor Kevin House  
Councillor Michael Kelly  
Councillor Anne-Marie Loader  
Councillor Rodney Synfield  
Councillor John Temple  
Councillor Daniel Smedley

**Votes against** Nil

**Abstained** Nil

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**Motion carried by simple majority**

**Resolution: 31/2024**

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## Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were received for this meeting.

## Council Workshop Report

### Topics Discussed – 27 February 2024

Australia Day Awards Ceremony

Blackstone Heights STP Rehabilitation

Local Government Association of Tasmania General Meetings Items – 14 March 2024

Community Strategic Plan: internal stakeholders workshop

### Items for Noting

Infrastructure: Review and Proposed Amendments of Policy No. 60- Asset Management

Infrastructure: Review and Proposed Amendments of the Strategic Asset Management Plan

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# Mayor and Councillors' Reports

## Councillors' Official Activities and Engagements Since Last Meeting

### 13 February 2024

**Council Event:** Carrick Hall Committee Meeting

*Attended by:*

*Cr House*

*Cr Synfield*

### 1 March 2024

**Community Event:** Meander House Community BBQ

*Attended by:*

*Cr House*

### 2 March 2024

**Council Event:** Meander Valley Voices Community Meeting

*Attended by:*

*Cr House*

*Cr Temple*

*Cr Synfield*

**Council Event:** MVC Health and Wellbeing Expo

*Attended by:*

*Cr Loader*

### 3 March 2024

**Community Event:** Electric Vehicle Information Day

*Attended by:*

*Cr Loader*

*Cr House*

### 4 March 2024

**Community Event:** Westbury St Patrick's Day Committee

*Attended by:*

*Cr Loader*

### 4 March 2024

**Meeting:** Blackstone Heights Community

*Attended by:*

*Cr Loader*

*Cr Smedley*

*Cr Synfield*



**Community Event:** Westbury St Patrick's Day Committee

*Attended by:*

*Cr Loader*

## 8 March 2024

**Community Event:** International Women's Day Lunch

*Attended by:*

*Cr Loader*

## Councillor Announcements & Acknowledgements

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## Petitions

No petitions were received for this meeting.

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## Community Representations

Nil requests received.

Community representations are an opportunity for community members or groups to request up to three minutes to address Council on a topic of particular interest.

Requests received at least fourteen days prior to a Council Meeting will be considered by the Chairperson. For further information, contact the Office of the General Manager on (03) 6393 5317 or email [ogm@mvc.tas.gov.au](mailto:ogm@mvc.tas.gov.au).

# Public Question Time

## Public Questions With Notice

**Question 1:** *Jacob Andrews, Deloraine (received via email on 11 February 2024)*

1. *How can you enforce the rules?*

**Jonathan Harmey, General Manager** advised that Meander Valley Council has the power and necessary delegation to enforce rules under many forms of legislation. Our officers undertake regulatory actions, in accordance with legislation, on a daily basis.

2. *Do you take the residents' opinion into consideration or do you just say you do?*

**Jonathan Harmey, General Manager** advised that Council undertakes community consultation in many functions to inform the community, to listen and seek feedback from community members. We aim to consult on significant new services or infrastructure. We are currently asking community members to provide their opinion on the future of the Meander Valley region, information can be accessed here: <https://www.meander.tas.gov.au/have-your-say>

**Question 2:** *Marcia Brandwood (received via email on 11 February 2024)*

1. *Why has Meander Valley Council ignored its own Community Strategic Plan and gone ahead with the division of the Deloraine dog park without notice or community consultation?*

**Jonathan Harmey, General Manager** advised Council has not ignored the Community Strategic Plan, this project aims to provide planned infrastructure services (future direction six) while supporting a healthy and safe community (future direction 4).

Council undertook consultation in 2022 when the Dog Management Policy and declared areas were being considered, feedback was asked for at that time. Similar fencing work has been completed at the off-lead areas in Blackstone Heights, Prospect Vale and Hadspen. Council does not undertake community consultation on every capital works project. It is acknowledged that notice of the upcoming works could have been placed at the property to create better awareness of the works, for users of the off-lead area.

2. *Given that wire fencing has been considered most appropriate for the division, will Meander Valley Council take responsibility for injuries to dogs who cannot see this fencing as they run and are used to running through this boundary?*

**Jonathan Harmey, General Manager** advised the division of the dog park at Deloraine is consistent with work previously undertaken at other Council areas within our program of work. The fencing work is also consistent with off lead areas in other areas of Tasmania and interstate. The Council will not be held responsible for injuries to dogs who cannot see this fencing and owners are encouraged to monitor their dogs safe use of the areas. We are not aware of any injuries occurring from dogs running into fencing at our off lead areas.

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## Public Questions Without Notice

### **Question 1:** *Sean Manners*

1. *Have the carbon emissions of the building of the new Meander Valley Council depot been taken into consideration, and will there be any sustainable elements that will help lower MVC's carbon footprint such as solar panels, batteries, passive solar design for offices, extra insulation, EV charging for future Council Electric vehicles, water tanks, tree planting etc?*

**Jonathan Harmey, General Manager** advised we have a design that we are working towards on that, I can't give a commitment because we haven't commissioned the work at this point, it's still in the planning phase. We haven't engaged a contractor to start construction. However, some of the elements that have been considered in the design are solar panels and rainwater tanks.

### **Question 2:** *Helen Hutchinson*

2. *While people remain homeless in Meander Valley would the Council allow permanent residents in caravan parks until other housing can be provided?*

**Jonathan Harmey, General Manager** advised that the question is taken on notice.

3. *I also noted that, with the population of only 493 people and close access to other recreation grounds, \$1,700,000 has been allocated to the Bracknell recreation ground. Is this a fair use of resources?*

**Jonathan Harmey, General Manager** advised that what we are referring to is page 135 in today's Council Meeting Agenda, the Strategic Asset Management plan includes Appendix of projects the Council believes would be worthwhile for our community moving forward, it's not a decision that Council will be spending those funds in those areas. They will be individual decisions of Council on an annual basis. We prepare our capital works programme through April, May and June of each year and our capital

works programme is a public document intended to be published in the June Council meeting, which is the time when Council would make a formal decision and a commitment on the individual programme of works and projects of this nature. While they are identified in our Strategic Asset Management Plan as projects that would be worthwhile and beneficial to our community, the decision that our Council will be making today is not that those projects will take place. It is that those projects are an aspiration desire for that area.

**Question 3:** *Stephen Gregory*

- 1. In the budget estimate for 2023, there's a line allocation for the Westbury Bicentennial Project and the estimate for 2024 is \$86,000. In a subsequent document, it says the support to deliver the contributions that completed in activity time in one-two and three, I was wondering whether that money's being spent extended or whether it's still ongoing?*

**Jonathan Harmey, General Manager** advised that I don't have all the values in front of me as we speak, but I trust that what you have researched is correct. Some of those works have been completed and some are yet to be delivered. The majority of the money was spent around support for the event that occurred at the end of last year, but there are smaller number of associated projects that are yet to be delivered. There was some signage upgrades as well completed as part of that project.

- 2. Does the budget go calendar or financial year?*

**Jonathan Harmey, General Manager** advised that I believe the document that you're reading from and looking at is the Annual Plan that was established last year for the current financial year. Quarter one would be September, quarter two would be December and quarter three would be March.

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# Councillor Question Time

## Councillors' Questions With Notice

No Councillors' questions with notice were received for this meeting.

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## Councillors' Questions Without Notice

### **Question 1:** *Councillor Anne-Marie Loader*

1. *Was the LIST only used in determining the measurements but not used to determine any water logging issues?*

**Jonathan Harmey, General Manager** advised the perceived water logging issue wasn't measured by a distance, it was primarily first hand information from workers that are there on a regular basis undertaking maintenance works and inspections.

2. *When inquiring about the alterations to the Alveston Off-Lead Dog Park, the council directs the community to the Dog Management Policy of 2022. The policy doesn't outline any changes to the area other than its declaration of the entire previous space as an off-lead dog area. There's no mention of segregation or reduction in usable space nor any mention of any future changes to the space in any of the council's communications as it would seem until February 13th of this year. This lack of clarity and community involvement is concerning to some members of the community. Are there detailed plans and if so, why aren't they easily accessible to Meander Valley residents and ratepayers?*

**Jonathan Harmey, General Manager** advised that there are no plans of that nature.

### **Question 2:** *Councillor Rodney Synfield*

1. *Is there a proposal to rectify only having a shelter in one area of the dog park?*

**Jonathan Harmey, General Manager** advised that there are no plans for a future shelter at the moment, the same with all of these things, they're incremental developments that we make to try and deliver better outcomes for the communities. There's no reason why in the future we can't consider other design elements or seating. Community members currently have the ability to move between those areas should they choose.

2. *Which side is identified as the vulnerable side?*

**Matthew Millwood, Director Works** advised that the shelter is currently in what is identified as the general area and not in the vulnerable.

3. *Has there been any communication on the proposed prison?*

**John Temple, Chair** advised that he was not aware.

**Jonathan Harmey, General Manager** advised that the administration has not received any update if that's what the question is.

4. *I was advised that some work's going on around at the sports Centre in Westbury. Could we be advised if that's the installation of the dump point? and if so, what's the likely ETA?*

**Matthew Millwood, General Manager** advised that it is, the installation for the dump point is progressing reasonably well, I would hope that would be completed prior to Easter or in the next fortnight, subject to some final plumbing works and a few things to be finalised there, but that's the date that we are working towards there.

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## Planning Authority Report

### 66 Emu Bay Road with access over 62-64 Emu Bay Road, Deloraine (CT's: 117313/1 & 141470/1)

**Proposal** Food Services (Food Van)

**Report Author** Leanne Rabjohns  
Town Planner

**Authorised by** Krista Palfreyman  
Director Development and Regulatory Services

**Application reference** PA\24\0169

**Motion** Council receives the agenda report tabled for PA\24\0169 and resolves to approve the application.

Refer to "Details" below for further specification of Council's decision and any conditions or notes.

**Moved** Councillor Michael Kelly

**Seconded** Councillor Anne-Marie Loader

**Votes for** Councillor Kevin House  
Councillor Michael Kelly  
Councillor Anne-Marie Loader  
Councillor John Temple  
Councillor Daniel Smedley

**Votes against** Councillor Rodney Synfield

**Abstained** Nil  
To abstain from voting at a Council Meeting is to vote in the negative: *Local Government (Meeting Procedure) Regulations 2015: s28.*

**Motion carried by simple majority**



## Resolution: 32/2024

### Details

Council must take qualified advice before making a decision, and ensure that its reasons for any planning decisions are (a) minuted and (b) based on the Planning Scheme.

See *Local Government Act 1993: s65*, *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015: s25(2)* and *Land Use and Approvals Act 1993: ss57-59*.

After receiving qualified advice about this planning application and its compliance with the Planning Scheme, Council resolved as follows:

### Recommendation

This application by M Azizi for Food Services (food van) on land located at 66 Emu Bay Road with access over 62-64 Emu Bay Road, Deloraine (CTs: 117313/1 & 141470/1), is recommended for approval generally in accordance with the Endorsed Plans, and recommended Permit Conditions and Permit Notes.

### Endorsed Plan

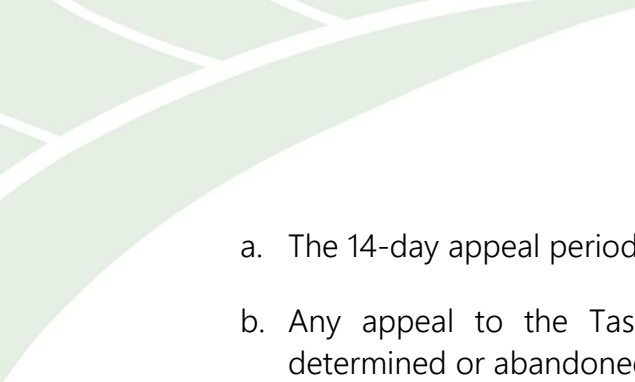
- a) Details of business, including site plan and hours of operation (6 pages).

### Permit Conditions

1. An external light (either fixed or portable) must be located to illuminate the pathway (right-of-way) to the south-eastern side boundary of the site, to the satisfaction of Council's Town Planner. The external light must be baffled so that direct light does not extend beyond the subject site and adjacent walkway (right-of-way). The light must be turned off daily between the hours of 11.00pm and 6.00am.
2. Staff must park within Council's free car parking areas.

### Permit Notes

1. All food businesses must be registered with council in accordance with the *Food Act 2003* prior to commencing. Food premises fit out must comply with the National Construction Code TAS Part H102.0 or any subsequent versions of this document. Please contact Council's Environmental Health Officer on (03) 6393 5320.
2. Any other proposed development or use (including amendments to this proposal) may require separate planning approval. For further information, contact Council.
3. This permit takes effect after:

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- a. The 14-day appeal period expires; or
  - b. Any appeal to the Tasmanian Civil & Administrative Tribunal (TASCAT) is determined or abandoned; or
  - c. Any other required approvals under this or any other Act are granted.
4. Planning appeals can be lodged with TASCAT Registrar within 14 days of Council serving notice of its decision on the applicant. For further information, visit the TASCAT website.
  5. This permit is valid for two years only from the date of approval. It will lapse if the development is not substantially commenced. Council has discretion to grant an extension by request.
  6. All permits issued by the permit authority are public documents. Members of the public may view this permit (including the endorsed documents) at the Council Office on request.
  7. If any Aboriginal relics are uncovered during works:
    - a. All works to cease within delineated area, sufficient to protect unearthed or possible relics from destruction;
    - b. Presence of a relic must be reported to Aboriginal Heritage Tasmania; and
    - c. Relevant approval processes for state and federal government agencies will apply.

## Governance

### Declaration of Office - Councillor Daniel Smedley

**Report Author** Wezley Frankcombe  
Manager Governance and Performance

**Authorised by** Jonathan Harmey  
General Manager

**Motion** That Council:

1. Notes the Certificate of Election issued to the Meander Valley Council by the Tasmanian Electoral Commission on 13 February 2024.
2. Acknowledges that Daniel Smedley made his Declaration of Office at the Council Chambers, 26 Lyall Street, Westbury on 19 February 2024.

**Moved** Councillor Kevin House

**Seconded** Councillor Michael Kelly

**Votes for** Councillor Kevin House  
Councillor Michael Kelly  
Councillor Anne-Marie Loader  
Councillor Rodney Synfield  
Councillor John Temple  
Councillor Daniel Smedley

**Votes against** Nil

**Abstained** Nil  
To abstain from voting at a Council Meeting is to vote in the negative: *Local Government (Meeting Procedure) Regulations 2015: s28.*

**Motion carried by simple majority**

**Resolution: 33/2024**

# Infrastructure Services

## Review of Policy No. 60 - Asset Management

**Report Author** Robert Little  
Asset Management Coordinator

**Authorised by** Peter Jones  
Acting Director Infrastructure Services

**Motion** That Council confirms the continuation of Policy No. 60 – Asset Management, as shown below:

Policy No. 60	Asset Management
<b>Purpose</b>	The purpose of this policy is to set guidelines for implementing consistent asset management processes throughout the organisation.
<b>Department</b>	Infrastructure Services
<b>Author</b>	Robert Little, Asset Management Coordinator
<b>Council Meeting Date</b>	12 March 2024
<b>Minute Reference</b>	XXX
<b>Next Review Date</b>	March 2028

### POLICY

#### 1. Definitions

*Infrastructure assets* Physical assets that provide services to our community and contribute to meeting the needs of organisations or the need for access to major economic and social facilities and services. Typically fixed in

place, large, interconnected networks or portfolios of composite assets with long lives.

*Maintenance*

All actions necessary for retaining an asset as near as practicable to its original service condition, excluding rehabilitation or renewal to ensure the asset reaches its expected useful life.

*Renewal*

Is work to restore or replace an existing asset to its original service potential and capacity.

*Asset upgrade*

Improvements undertaken to an existing asset, or replacement of an existing asset, to provide a higher level of service.

*New asset*

Assets that are created to meet additional service level requirements.

*Whole of Life*

Includes all costs associated with the ownership of an asset that allows it to continue to function and meet service needs over its life including planning/creation, operations, maintenance, depreciation, renewal and disposal. If asset planning is limited to a single phase such as creation, decisions may not take into account long-term issues. Whole of Life is also referred to as Life Cycle Cost.

### *Service Levels*

*A core part of the Council's activities is providing services for our community. Assets assist with the delivery of many of these services. Service levels are to be agreed through consultation with our community. They can be considered in terms of utilisation, function, condition, safety, cost, capacity, reliability and availability.*

## **2. Objective**

The objectives of this Policy are to ensure the provision and management of the Council's infrastructure assets are undertaken in a financially sustainable manner, with the appropriate levels of service to customers and the environment consistent with the Council's Community Strategic Plan.

To support the development and implementation of the Council's;

- Asset registers and asset management plans;
- Long term strategic asset management plans; and
- Long term strategic financial management plan.

To promote and support sustainability, community resilience, climate change

adaptation and mitigation as part of strategic planning, service delivery and asset provision.

## **3. Scope**

This Policy has application to all the Council's activities.

## **4. Policy**

The Council is committed to implementing a systematic asset management methodology in order to deliver the Community Strategic Plan objectives, and appropriate and affordable services for our community and future generations.

Sustainable service delivery ensures that services are provided in a socially, economically and environmentally responsible manner in such a way that does not compromise the ability of future generations to make their own decisions regarding future services and service levels.

Asset management practices impact directly on the core business of the Council and appropriate long term strategic asset and financial management is required to achieve the Council's strategic and sustainable service delivery objectives. This is achieved through integrating customer values, priorities and an informed understanding of the trade-offs between risk, cost and service performance.

### *Principles*

The Council's sustainable service delivery needs will be met by ensuring adequate provision is made for the long-term planning, financing, operation, maintenance, renewal, upgrade, and disposal of capital assets by:

1. ensuring that the Council's infrastructure assets are provided in a manner that respects financial, cultural, economic and environmental sustainability;
2. compliance with all applicable legislative and regulatory requirements;
3. demonstrating transparent and responsible asset management processes that align with industry best practices;
4. implementing outcomes from the Council's Long Term Strategic Asset Management Plan and Asset Management Strategy and providing sufficient financial resources to accomplish them through the following actions:
  - a. Asset Management Plans completed for all major service areas;

- b. Expenditure projections from Asset Management Plans incorporated into Council's Long-Term Financial Plan;
- c. Regular and systematic reviews applied to all asset plans and supporting asset register data to ensure assets are managed, valued, and depreciated in accordance with appropriate best practice;
- d. Regular inspections used as part of the asset management process to ensure agreed service levels are maintained and to identify asset renewal priorities;
- e. Asset renewals required to meet agreed service levels and identified in adopted asset management plans and the long term financial plan, will form the basis of annual budget estimates with the service and risk consequences of variations in defined asset renewals and budget resources documented;
- f. Future life cycle costs will be reported and considered in all decisions relating to new and upgraded services and assets and gifted assets;
- g. Future service levels with associated delivery costs determined in consultation with the community. Demand for new or improved services should consider the balance of community expectation and affordability;
- h. Ensuring necessary capacity and other operational capabilities are provided and asset management responsibilities are effectively allocated;
- i. Creating a corporate culture where all employees play a part in the overall delivery and operation of Council's assets by providing necessary awareness, training and professional development;
- j. Providing for our current customers and for future generations services they are willing and able to pay for;
- k. Considering risk management principles in relation to asset management and impacts to service delivery;
- l. Promoting sustainability and community resilience;
- m. Planning for climate change adaptation and mitigation.

### *Roles*



Councillors determine outcomes of the Council to meet strategic objectives based on the Council's vision and values to meet our community's needs. Councillors are responsible for the adoption of the Asset Management Policy and for ensuring that resources are appropriately allocated to ensure sustainable service delivery.

The General Manager is responsible for ensuring the delivery of the organisation's Asset Management Strategy and Plans and for maintaining systems to ensure that the Council's resources are appropriately utilised to address the organisation's strategic objectives.

The Director Infrastructure Services is responsible for the delivery of asset management by the implementation of the Asset Management Policy, Strategic Asset Management Plan and Asset Management Plans, reporting on the status and effectiveness of asset management within the Council.

The Director Works is responsible for the delivery of agreed service levels to the community through delivery of capital works and through routine operation of the Council's assets.

## **5. Legislation and Related Standards**

*Local Government Act 1993 (section 70C)*

Ministerial Orders – Local Government (Content of Plans and Strategies) Order 2014

Meander Valley Council Policy No. 1 – Risk Management

Meander Valley Council Policy No. 78 – New and Gifted Assets

Meander Valley Council Policy No. 91 – Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation

## **6. Responsibility**

Responsibility for the operation of this policy rests with the General Manager.

**Moved** Councillor Daniel Smedley

**Seconded** Councillor Kevin House

**Votes for** Councillor Kevin House  
Councillor Michael Kelly  
Councillor Anne-Marie Loader  
Councillor Rodney Synfield  
Councillor John Temple  
Councillor Daniel Smedley

**Votes against** Nil

**Abstained** Nil

To abstain from voting at a Council Meeting is to vote in the negative: *Local Government (Meeting Procedure) Regulations 2015: s28.*

**Motion carried by simple majority**

**Resolution: 34/2024**

## Infrastructure Services

### Review of Strategic Asset Management Plan

**Report Author** Robert Little  
Asset Management Coordinator

**Authorised by** Peter Jones  
Acting Director Infrastructure Services

**Motion** That Council confirms the continuation of the Strategic Asset Management Plan as detailed in Attachment 1.

**Moved** Councillor Rodney Synfield

**Seconded** Councillor Anne-Marie Loader

**Votes for** Councillor Kevin House  
Councillor Michael Kelly  
Councillor Anne-Marie Loader  
Councillor Rodney Synfield  
Councillor John Temple  
Councillor Daniel Smedley

**Votes against** Nil

**Abstained** Nil

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**Motion carried by simple majority**

**Resolution: 35/2024**

## Works

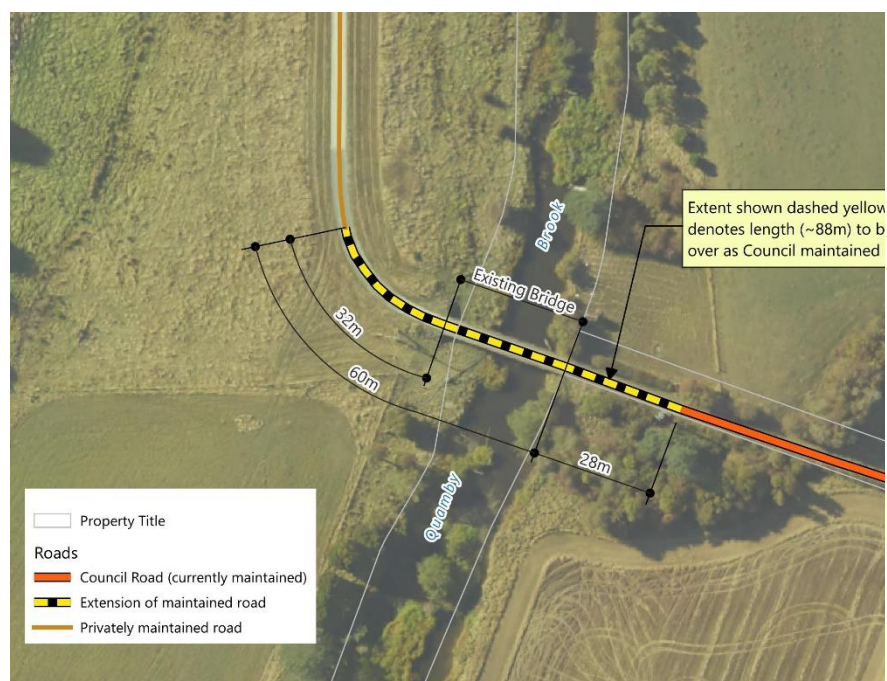
### Highway Dedication - Part of Roxford Road, Westbury

**Report Author** Wezley Frankcombe  
Manager Governance and Performance

**Authorised by** Matthew Millwood  
Director Works

**Motion** That Council, pursuant to section 12 of the *Local Government (Highways) Act 1982*:

1. declares that approximately 88m of the road surface and associated infrastructure of Roxford Road, Westbury, as generally shown shaded in dashed yellow and black in the map below, is to become a highway maintainable by the Council on the date of publication of this resolution in *The Gazette*:



2. requests the General Manager to ensure that a copy of the highway declaration at Recommendation 1. is published in *The Gazette*.

**Moved** Councillor Kevin House

**Seconded** Councillor Michael Kelly

**Votes for** Councillor Kevin House  
Councillor Michael Kelly  
Councillor Anne-Marie Loader  
Councillor John Temple  
Councillor Daniel Smedley

**Votes against** Councillor Rodney Synfield

**Abstained** Nil

To abstain from voting at a Council Meeting is to vote in the negative: *Local Government (Meeting Procedure) Regulations 2015: s28.*

**Motion carried by simple majority**

**Resolution: 36/2024**

## Motion to Close Meeting

**Motion** Close the meeting to the public for discussion of matters in the list of agenda items below.

*See Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015: s15(1).*

**Moved** Councillor Anne-Marie Loader

**Seconded** Councillor Michael Kelly

**Votes for** Councillor Kevin House  
Councillor Michael Kelly  
Councillor Anne-Marie Loader  
Councillor Rodney Synfield  
Councillor John Temple  
Councillor Daniel Smedley

**Votes against** Nil

**Motion carried by absolute majority**

**Minute reference: 37/2023**

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## Closed Session Agenda

### Confirmation of Closed Minutes

Refer to *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015: s34(2)*.

### Leave of Absence Applications

Refer to *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015: s15(2)(h)*.

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## Release of Public Information

**Motion** That Council in Closed Session determined that the General Manager may release information relating to the Leave of Absence applications

**Moved** Councillor Kevin House

**Seconded** Councillor Anne-Marie Loader

**Votes for** Councillor Kevin House  
Councillor Michael Kelly  
Councillor Anne-Marie Loader  
Councillor Rodney Synfield  
Councillor John Temple  
Councillor Daniel Smedley

**Votes against** Nil

**Abstained** Nil

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**Motion carried by simple majority**

**Resolution: 40/2024**

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## Meeting End

Meeting closed at 3:53 pm.

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**Councillor John Temple**  
**Chairperson**