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COUNCIL PLANS A SMOKE FREE MARKET SQUARE



Entrance into the proposed smoke-free area south of Provideore Place

The Devonport City Council will seek to declare the new Market Square area smoke free.

Since the area was opened to the public, Council has received complaints regarding smoking in the area and there has been some general confusion regarding where people can and cannot smoke.

As the owner/occupier of Market Square, Council can determine to expand the extent of smoke-free areas and provide appropriate signage of the designated smoke-free areas.

By designating smoke-free areas Council will help to promote health and wellbeing in the community and eliminate any confusion regarding the smoke-free requirements.

Council will seek to have the artificial grass, the complete paved area of the Square and the lawn area adjacent to the Multi-Level car park declared smoke-free, similar to the Rooke Street Mall.

To declare an area smoke-free, over and above the minimum requirements of the *Public Health Act 1997* (which excludes smoking in areas such as near doorways and air conditioning plant), will require the installation of signage and some 'butt bins' at the entry points to Market Square.

The cost to supply and install signage and 'butt bins' at each of the entry points into the Market Square area would be about \$4000.

Both the Rooke Street entrance and the Oldaker Street entrance allow for smoking on the footpath and the entrance near the multi-level car park allows for smoking on the asphalt area.

Council will also undertake a consultation campaign to communicate the proposal to the general public and commercial operators in the area.

COUNCIL UPDATE

MASTER PLAN FEEDBACK SOUGHT



In the past 12 months, the Mersey Valley Devonport Cycling Club started work on a number of new tracks, with funding sourced from the Tasmanian Community Fund (TCF), State Government and a grant from Council.

Due to concerns raised, predominantly environmental, Council approved for the Mountain Bikers to complete their initial works whilst at the same time commissioning a Master Plan for the whole Kelsey Tier Greenbelt to further inform future uses and development in the area.

The Devonport City Council is seeking community feedback on the Draft Kelsey Tier Master Plan.

The Kelsey Tier Greenbelt Reserve is 185 hectares of predominately natural bushland owned and managed by Council on the southern edge of Devonport.

The reserve has important conservation values, provides recreational opportunities and has several user groups currently utilising it.

ERA Planning were appointed by Council to consult with community and interested stakeholders and to prepare a Master Plan based on feedback received.

The Master Plan sets out recommendations relating to infrastructure requirements for the area.

Community feedback is open until Friday 25 January 2019 and more information is available at Speak Up Devonport on Council's website.

FREE CHRISTMAS PARKING

Free parking will be offered in all Council car parks, except the CBD Multi-Level car park, for two days leading up to Christmas.

The free parking will be offered after 10 am on Saturday 8 December and 15 December.

Charges in Council car parks normally apply between 8.30 am and 2.00 pm on Saturdays.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Council will hold its Annual General Meeting for the year ended 30 June 2018 on Monday, 10 December 2018 in the Aberdeen Room Level 2 paraple centre, 137 Rooke Street, Devonport, commencing at 5.00 pm.

Copies of Council's 2017/2018 Annual Report are now available at Council's Administration Centre, Level 2, paraple centre and on Council's website at www.devonport.tas.gov.au/annualreport

Submissions on the Annual Report are invited and should be delivered to the Council by Thursday 29 November to permit them to be listed for discussion.

SECTION 23 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Council has finalised appointments to its Section 23 Committees.

Aldermen appointed are -

PLANNING AUTHORITY:

Mayor Ald. Annette Rockliff (Chair), Ald. John Alexiou, Ald. Petter Hollister, Ald. Sally Milbourne, Ald. Leigh Murphy and Ald. Leon Perry.

GOVERNANCE, FINANCE & COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Deputy Mayor Ald. Alison Jarman (Chair), Ald. Alexiou, Ald. Gerard Ennis, Ald. Lynn Laycock, Ald. Milbourne and Ald. Rockliff.

INFRASTRUCTURE, WORKS & DEVELOPMENT:

Ald. Perry (Chair), Ald. Ennis, Ald. Hollister, Ald. Jarman, Ald. Laycock and Ald. Murphy.

The Section 23 Committees are charged with making recommendations to the Council on specific operational matters which relate to a particular function of Council, in accordance with Section 23 of the Local Government Act 1993.