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## SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE MASTER PLAN WORKING GROUP ENDORSED BY COUNCIL



The Devonport City Council last night endorsed the membership of the Sports Infrastructure Master Plan Working Group.

Stephen Casey, Drew Smith and Lisa Males were the successful applicants chosen to represent the business/community sector. They will be joined by Simon Aufder-Heide (representing Tennis Tasmania) and Chris McCoy (representing Basketball Tasmania). Leigh Oswin, Project Manager - Development Sport and Recreation, will represent the State Government, and Councillors John Alexiou, Gerard Ennis and Sally Milbourne were appointed to represent Council.

The development of a Sports Infrastructure Master Plan is an action in the 2020/21 Annual Plan and aims to provide a clear direction for the development of Council owned sport and recreation infrastructure over the next 15 years.

The Working Group will work closely with Council officers and be required to:

- provide advice and recommendations on further engaging the community and stakeholders in plan development;
- assist in developing and prioritising plans, objectives and actions;
- consider options to resource plan implementation;
- review the draft and final master plan document and recommend to Council for adoption;
- Support, promote and undertake a general advocacy role for the plan; and
- act as a conduit between Council and the community.

The process to nominate for membership to the Working Group was advertised broadly.

Those individuals who were not successful with their application will be involved in the plan's development during the consultation phase.

# SITE CONFIRMED FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION

Council has determined the preferred site for an Electric Vehicle Charging Station will be the multi-level carpark, on the west wall of the second level.

Two sites were considered in the report that went to Council on Monday 27 July, the other being the Formby Road carpark. Factors that determined the preferred location included: accessibility and user/pedestrian safety; impact on traffic/parking volumes; proximity to substation; and ability to install additional EV chargers.

Council will now look to enter into an agreement with Electric Highway Tasmania, who will lease the site on a 5 + 5 year basis, and meet all costs associated with the site and its operation.

## ADDITIONAL FUNDING ADDED TO THE 2020/21 CAPITAL PROGRAM & OPERATIONAL BUDGET

The Devonport City Council has voted to adjust the 2020/21 Capital Works Program and operational budget, to utilise \$506,733 available to Council through the Australian Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program.

The LRCI Program aims to assist a community-led recovery from COVID-19 by supporting local jobs, firms and procurement.

Council's capital and operating budgets for 2020-21 have been impacted by significant reductions in projected revenue; several projects and activities that would have otherwise been funded into 2020/21 were required to be deferred for consideration in future years. Thanks to the LRCI, several of those projects are now able to be brought forward.

The projects nominated to utilise the funding were selected by first considering all work that was deferred from the 2020/21 budget, and then assessing these projects against the funding criteria and objectives of the LRCI Program.

The following projects will now be undertaken in 2020/21:

Project Name	Budget (\$)
Spreyton Hall - heater renewal	10,000
Christmas tree renewal	53,000
Path renewal - Don Reserve, Parker Street to Nicholls Street	130,000
Seat replacements - Valley Road	8,000
Path upgrade - Mary Binks Wetlands, stage 2	55,000
PAC - theatre door upgrade	14,000
Pioneer Park - improved access from Thomas Street	50,000
Ronald Street new footpath - Oldaker Street to Parker Street missing links	44,000
Foreshore path link - Drew Street	25,000
Greenway Avenue traffic calming	82,733
Home Hill - Landscape Master Plan	25,000
Urban Street Tree Program	10,000

## COMMUNITY FEEDBACK ASSISTS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF DEVONPORT GENERAL CEMETERY MASTER PLAN

Two public consultation periods were undertaken in the development of the Devonport General Cemetery Master Plan. An online survey conducted in March 2020 received 73 responses and assisted in developing the draft document. The draft Plan was then open for public comment via Council's online engagement portal, Speak Up Devonport.

The Master Plan is an action of the Cemetery Strategy 2011-2030, and aims to preserve the individual and shared heritage value of the Cemetery, while sustainably adapting the site for the current and future needs of the community.

The plan was adopted at the meeting held Monday 27 July 2020 and will be available for viewing on Council's website.

## DRAFT DEVONPORT LOCAL PROVISIONS SCHEDULE

The Draft Devonport Local Provisions Schedule is a step closer after Councillors reviewed submissions to the Schedule at the July Council meeting. The Council, in its role as Planning Authority, and in accordance with section 35F of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, agreed to endorse and submit to the Tasmanian Planning Commission, the report detailing the exhibition of the draft Devonport Local Provisions Schedule.