



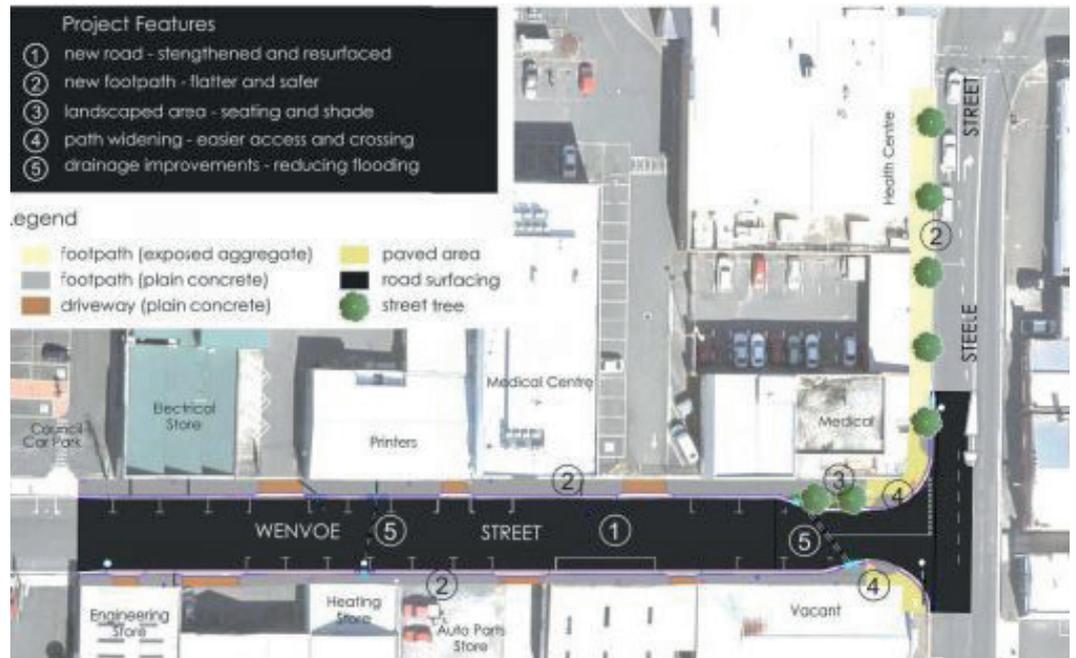
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WENVOE STREET UPGRADE TENDER AWARDED



COUNCIL UPDATE

Council last night awarded the Wenvoe Street Renewal tender to ATM Civil Contracting.

The Wenvoe Street Renewal - Steele Street to Car Park was listed within the 2018/19 capital expenditure budget as two separate allocations:

- Wenvoe Street Renewal Steele Street to Car Park; and
- Steele Street Footpath Renewal – Rooke Street to Wenvoe Street South Side.

But, the two projects were combined as the scope of work meets at the intersection of Steele Street and Wenvoe Street and it was more efficient to have a single design team and one construction crew working on the project, rather than two.

The project involves the renewal of the road and footpath assets on the northern end of Wenvoe

Street.

The road is in poor condition and the footpaths were found to rate as some of the poorest in the recent compliance audit around the CBD.

Work in Steele Street is on the south side of the road, between Rooke Street and Wenvoe Street.

ATM Civil Contracting will complete the work in December 2018, which avoids an overlap with the recommencement of work in Southern Rooke Street in January 2019.

Council determined that ATM Civil Contracting met its requirements and therefore offered best value in relation to the work.

COUNCIL APPROVES GRANTS FOR COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS

Council has approved grants and rate remissions totalling \$114,082 to 19 organisations as part of round one of its 2018-19 Financial Assistance Scheme.

The scheme supports projects, programs and activities developed for the benefit of Devonport's residents and visitors.

Major grants provide \$3,000 to \$25,000 and minor grants provide up to \$3,000 for organisations to deliver programs that enhance the Devonport community through development, community events, community facilities, cultural development, cultural heritage, festivals and events, economic development, sport, recreation and healthy living. Rate remissions provide rate support for local non-profit community organisations to cater for and respond to the needs of Devonport residents.

Thirty-six organisations sought funding under the scheme with 21 applications approved.

A further \$52,000 in minor grants will be available in round two of the program, with applications opening on 1 January 2019 and closing on 28 February 2019.

Donations, individual development grants and in-kind assistance grants are open throughout the year and assessed on a monthly basis.

Successful organisations in round one were –

Major grants

• Mersey Yacht Club Inc	\$25,000.00
• Devonport Tennis Club	\$25,000.00*
• East Devonport Tennis Club	\$ 9,288.00
• Devonport City Soccer Club	\$ 7,500.00
• HOPE Christian Church Inc	\$ 5,782.63
• Spreyton Football Club	\$ 3,863.00

(*Subject to sourcing external funding to complete the project)

Minor grants

• Soroptimists International of Devonport	\$ 599.50
• Devonport Garden Club	\$1,454.97
• Penguin Rehab & Release	\$1,000.00
• Mersey Rowing Club	\$2,000.00
• Cradle Coast Aquatic Inc	\$1,232.50
• Devonport Choral Society Inc	\$1,909.00
• Devonport Apex Regatta	\$3,000.00

Rates remissions

• Mersey Rowing Club Inc	\$1,617.88
• Don River Railway	\$9,573.96
• Devonport Agricultural & Pastoral Society Inc	\$5,000.00
• Mersey Community Care Association Inc	\$3,082.19
• 1st Spreyton Scouts. Scout Association of Australia	\$1,105.14
• East Devonport Tennis Club	\$1,153.95
• Scouts Australia Tasmanian Branch Mersey District	\$3,472.67
• Devonport Girl Guides	\$1,446.81

WETLANDS TO HONOUR MARY BINKS

Council will rename the Mary Street Wetlands, in East Devonport, to honour former Mayor Mary Binks, who passed away in June.

Mrs Binks was Devonport's first female Mayor and also served as Deputy Mayor and Alderman.

She was awarded an OAM in 2005 and was Devonport's Citizen of the Year in 2008.

Aldermen identified that during her time as Mayor, Mrs Binks was instrumental in establishing support for the wetlands, an enriched habitat for a diverse range of flora and fauna on approximately 1.7 hectares of land between Mary and Caroline Streets, opposite the East Devonport Recreation Centre.

Prior to the formation of the wetlands, the area was used as a landfill site for Council.

Upon its closure in 1999, local interest in establishing the wetlands was canvassed by Council and a working group, involving nearby stakeholders and community members, was formed.

Partnerships between Council, the Don College, Melaleuca Home for the Aged, East Devonport Primary School and local residents assisted in the development.